Town of Stoneham
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Stoneham Town Hall
Theatre Organ

2007 Annual Report

On the cover:

Stoneham Town Hall Theatre Organ

"On March 19, (1942) the Selectmen officially accepted for the Town an orchestral organ given by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Patch and installed in the Town Hall Auditorium."

(Taken from 1942 Annual Report of the Board of Selectmen)

Photo by Paulette Gerry

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Board of Selectmen

Left to right: Selectman R. Paul Rotondi, Selectman Robert W. Sweeney, Chairman George E. Seibold, Selectman John F. DePinto, and Selectman Frank Vallarelli.

TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL REPORT 2007

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General Information

Incorporated:	December 17, 1725
Population:	22,914
Land Area:	6.6 square miles
Location:	Ten miles north of Boston; close proximity to Interstate Highways 93 and 128
Form of Government:	Open Town Meeting Selectmen/Town Administrator
Annual Town Election:	First Tuesday in April
Annual Town Meeting:	First Monday in May
Town Operating Budget (FY08):	$58,892,121
Assessed Valuation (FY08):	$3,209,938,891
2008 Tax Rate: Residential Commercial	 $10.19 $17.70
Senators in Congress:	Edward M. Kennedy John F. Kerry
Representative in Congress: (Seventh Congressional District)	Edward J. Markey
Sixth Councillor District:	Michael J. Callahan
Middlesex and Essex Senatorial District:	Richard Tisei
30th Representative District	Patrick Natale
31st Representative District	Paul C. Casey
District Court:	4th East Middlesex Woburn, Massachusetts

Stoneham
A Brief Profile

Once a major shoe manufacturing center, the Stoneham of today is a residential community whose commerce includes a balanced mix of retailing, service businesses, and a scattering of light manufacturing.

Recreational facilities abound in Stoneham. Supervised summer programs are provided at our seven playgrounds and thirteen tennis courts. Little League Baseball, Youth Basketball, Pop Warner Football, Youth Hockey, and Soccer Club are all active in our town. The Stoneham Boys and Girls Club provides indoor recreation year round. Town-owned Unicorn Recreational nine-hole golf course, par three Stoneham Oaks golf course, and indoor heated skating rink are available for community use. There is also a private nine-hole golf course at Bear Hill Country Club. Our Whip Hill wildlife sanctuary and manor house, consisting of over thirty acres, is a prized asset of Stoneham. The Walter D. Stone Memorial Zoo attracts many visitors.

The Middlesex Fells Reservation, one of the State's largest parks, comprises a major portion of Stoneham (32%) and offers nature trails, bridle paths, and picnicking. Metropolitan District Commission facilities in Stoneham consist of the following:

Swimming Pool
Bear Hill Observatory
Spot Pond
Outdoor Skating Rink

Stoneham has an outstanding public school system, including Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School, and also offers private education at St. Patrick's School, Seventh Day Adventist School, and private kindergartens.

Churches include All Saints Episcopal, First Baptist, First Congregational, Jehovah's Witnesses, St. James United Methodist, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic, and Stoneham Memorial Seventh Day Adventist.

Central Animal Hospital and Stoneham Animal Hospital both care of our pet population and Stoneham Animal Hospital also serves as dog pound for the community.

Stoneham's Senior Center is a source of pleasure for our elder residents, whether they partake of the noontime meal or join in the many planned activities for their enjoyment.

Public housing is available for both senior and low income residents. The Town is 98% sewered, and the Public Works Department renders outstanding service as to plowing, sanding, etc.

Comcast, RCN, and Verizon provide cable television service in Stoneham, allowing for a choice.

Our local newspapers, the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun, are published weekly.

TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
2007

	Terms Expire

MODERATOR

Michael J. Rotondi	2009

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

George E. Seibold, Chairman	2008
R. Paul Rotondi	2009
Robert W. Sweeney	2009
John F. DePinto	2010
Frank Vallarelli	2010

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Maureen M. Soley	2008
Cheryl Walsh	2008
Marie T. Christie	2009
Shelly MacNeill (Apptd. 8/16/07 to fill an unexpired term)	2009
Joseph C. Viselli	2010

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

William J. Jordan	2008
Craig J. Celli, Chairman	2009
Richard D. Mangerian	2010

TOWN CLERK

John J. Hanright	2010

BOARD OF HEALTH

Traci A. Mello	2008
John J. Scullin	2009
Daniel T. Doherty	2010

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Rocco Ciccarello	2008
Michael Rora	2008
Catherine F. DiDonato	2009
Jane Francis	2009
Susan K. Doucette	2010
Susan Waldman Fixman	2010

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Anthony DeTeso

PLANNING BOARD

Frank J. Federico	2008
Kevin Dolan	2009
Stephen R. Catalano	2010
Thomas J. O'Grady	2011
August S. Niewenhous, III	2012

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Frederick F. Mosley, Chairman	2008
Edward J. Pinato	2009
Vincent L. Orsillo	2010
William F. Jordan	2011
Rosemary Trask, Governor's Appointee	2001
Joanne Graves, Executive Director	Ex-officio

CONSTABLES

Fredric Kranefuss	2009
Robert E. Moreira	2009
Robert w. Nardone	2009

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

James J. McDermott, Jr., Employees' Representative	2009
Elsie M. Wallace, Employees' Representative	2009
Janice T. Houghton, Chairman	2009
Cosmo M. Ciccarello, Designee of the Board of Selectmen	

Ronald J. Florino, Town Accountant — Ex-Officio

BOARD OF APPEALS

James A. Juliano	2008
Henry T. Sampson	2008
Gerard J. Cunningham	2009
Laurence J. Rotondi	2010
Kevin C. McLaughlin	2010
Raymond Michael Dufour, Associate Member	2008
William J. Sullivan, Associate Member	2008

BIKE AND GREENWAY COMMITTEE

Cameron Bain, Chairman	Robert Vercollone	Robert Conway
Theresa Ward	Rita G. Covelle	Kristen Wigandt
Peter Daniels	Shirley Drinkwater	John Ranlett
Wendy Smith	Joan Terrasi	
Bee Russo, Assoc. Member		Trudy Sevier, Assoc. Member
Marilyn Regan, Assoc. Member		John C. Goodwin, Assoc. Member

BUSINESS CLIMATE COMMITTEE

Ralph Barile	August Niewenhous	Janice Houghton
Sharon Iovanni	Alan Melkonian	Cheryl Walsh

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

James A. Juliano, Jr.	2008
Robert Parsons	2008
David F. Oberhauser	2008
Patrick F. Jordan, Jr.	2009
Daniel C. Towse	2009
Norman L'Esperance	2010
Walter Lynch	2010
Robert E. Conway, Assoc. Member	2010
Ellen McBride, Assoc. Member	2010

COUNCIL ON AGING

Miriam R. Moore	2008
Dorothea Rourke-O'Regan	2008
Marcia M. Wengen	2008
Ralph Barile	2009
Alice M. Blackwell	2009
Marjorie Neylon	2009
Richard Bardet	2010
Dorothy A. Corkum	2010
Howard Porter	2010

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Susan Doucette	10/7/09
Kathleen T. Holland	10/7/09
Melissa Powers	10/7/09
Catherine A. Granese	9/21/10
Grace L. Tringale	2/27/10

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Fire Chief Joseph Rolli
Police Chief Richard Bongiorno
David A. Portman, Action Ambulance Service, Inc.

FINANCE & ADVISORY BOARD

Vacancy	2008
Nicholas Stavre	2008
Stephen Born	2008
John F. Bowen	2009
Andrew Gould	2009
Richard S. Gregorio	2009
James C. Sinclair	2009
Russ Wilson	2009
Benjamin A. Caggiano	2010
John P. DeAmicis	2010
John C. Warren, Chairman	2010

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Joanne DiMambro	2008
Joan Quigley	2008
Marcia M. Wengen	2009
Christopher Willard	2009
David Armato	2010
Stephen E. Rotondi	2010
Margaret O. Warren	2010

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Donna M. Weiss, President
Richard Watts, 1st Vice President
Stephen Rotondi, 2nd Vice President
Susan Doucette, Secretary
Donald F. Marchant, Treasurer
Mary K. Marchant, Curator

LAND AND BUILDING USE COMMITTEE

John Bracciotti	James Juliano, Jr.	Catherine Moore
Kristen Russo	Marcia Wengen	

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Frederick Mosley	Gerald Sullivan	James Standish

MYSTIC VALLEY ELDER SERVICES

Jane Lavender	9/30/10

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chris Abreu, Chairman	2008
Denise Healy	2008
Maureen Houghton	2008
Stephen G. McDonough	2008
James Sarno	2008
Dennis J. Visconti	2009
Therese DiBlasi	2010
Stephen P. Sylvester	2010

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Rocco Ciccarello	2008
Theresa A. Ward	2009
Lawrence C. Allen	2010
John J. Hanright, Town Clerk	Ex-Officio

SPORTS FACILITY COMMITTEE

Kevin Dolan	Charles F. Houghton	Dana Marek
Robert Nolan	Thomas O'Grady	Paul Sacco

STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

John Bowen	Cosmo M. Ciccarello	Gordon E. Perks
Peter B. D'Angelo	Patrick F. Jordan, Jr.	

TOWN OPERATIONS/STRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Benjamin Caggiano	Stephen G. MacLeod	James A. Juliano, Sr.
Eugene M. Passaro	Maureen Soley	

WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Mary S. Bond	Francis Roberts
Frederick Mosley	Guerino Tamburrini

WATER AND SEWER REVIEW BOARD

Robert W. Nardone - Selectmen Designee	2008
Tracey Butterworth – Selectmen Designee	2009
Therese DiBlasi, Chairman – Finance Board Designee	2009
Stephen a. Quattrocchi - Selectmen Designee	2010
John L. Bracciotti – Finance Board Designee	2010

APPOINTED TOWN POSITIONS
2007

Town Administrator.....David Ragucci

Town Counsel.....William H. Solomon, Esq.

Town Treasurer/Tax Collector.....Thomas Cicatelli

Asst. Town Treasurer/Tax Collector.....Diane Murphy

Town Accountant.....Ronald J. Florino

Fire Chief.....Joseph Rolli

Police Chief.....Richard Bongiorno

Superintendent of Schools.....Les Olson

Library
Director.....Mary Todd

Public Works Director.....Robert E. Grover

Interim Inspector of Buildings.....Cheryl Noble

Director of Veterans Services.....Carl Saunders

Director of Civil
Preparedness.....Joseph Rolli

Director of Assessing.....Brian Macdonald

Interim Fence
Viewer.....Cheryl Noble

Town Government Organization

Citizens Elect:

Board of Selectmen
School Committee
Town Clerk
Board of Assessors
Planning Board
Constables
Library Trustees
Board of Health
*Housing Authority
Moderator
Northeast Metropolitan Regional
Vocational School Representative

Selectmen Appoint:

Town Administrator
Town Counsel
Town Accountant
Selectmen's Office Staff
Council on Aging
Board of Appeals
Conservation Commission
Commission for the Handicapped
Historical Commission
Recreation and Open Space Comm.
Registrars of Voters
Designee to Board of Retirement
All multi-member
Boards/Committees unless
otherwise specified

*Four Elected, One Appointed by State EOCD

School Committee Appoints:

Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent of Schools Appoints:

School Staff

Town Administrator Appoints:

Building and Wire Inspectors
Animal Control Officer
Fire Chief
Police Chief
Town Engineer
Treasurer/Tax Collector
Director of Veterans Services
All Other Officers and Employees

Library Trustees Appoint:

Library Director
Library Staff

Town Moderator Appoints:

Finance & Advisory Board
Ad Hoc Committees

Board of Selectmen

2007

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present the 2007 Annual Report to the residents of Stoneham, in accordance with Section 2-31 of the Town Code, which reads as follows:

Every officer in charge of a department shall annually, on or before the tenth day of January, transmit to the Selectmen, in writing, a report containing a statement of the acts and doings of his department for the past financial year; such report shall be printed in the Annual Report.

On April 3, 2007 Frank Vallarelli was elected to a three-year term as Selectman, and John F. DePinto was re-elected to a three-year term as Selectman.

On April 10, 2007, the Board reorganized. George E. Seibold was elected Chairman; John F. DePinto, Vice-Chairman; Robert W. Sweeney, Secretary; R. Paul Rotondi and Frank Vallarelli, Members. Muriel Doherty is Office Manager to the Board.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 2-45, of the Town Code, William H. Solomon was reappointed Town Counsel for the Town of Stoneham, on March 13, 2007.

Many applicants were assisted by this office and applications were processed for the Helen Walcott Stockwell Trust, which covers payment of medical bills for needy Stoneham residents. Funds were distributed to various hospitals and physicians. Residents may apply at the Selectmen's office for an application.

Seven (7) lots are available at Lindenwood Cemetery to be used for the burial of indigent Stoneham residents. Mrs. Edna H. Kirts donated eight lots to the Town in memory of her father, Charles Cloudman, on October 16, 1979. Residents may contact the Board of Selectmen's office to determine eligibility.

The Board of Selectmen met 34 times during 2007. In addition, there were four Town Meetings held this year and two elections. Members of the Board attended many sub-committee meetings and meetings of other boards, committees, and commissions, in addition to attending conferences. The Board of Selectmen made appointments to the boards and committees during the year. Several Public Hearings were held relative to site plan approval; public utilities as to installation of poles and conduits; public input on projects; and determination and adoption of local tax revenue to be borne by each class of real and personal property.

The war on terrorism and the war in Iraq continue, after the horrendous attacks of 9/11/01. Fire Fighters Sean Fitzgerald and Justin Petrillo from the Stoneham Fire Department are on active duty. Police Officer Steven Launie from the Stoneham Police Department is on active duty. James O'Brien, Stoneham Arena Assistant, is on active duty. We are thankful that the other employees who were on active duty have all returned safely, and we are thankful that Stoneham residents have returned safely. Our thoughts and prayers remain with all the residents of Stoneham who are still serving our country, as well as our armed forces from all over the country. We are proud of them and thankful to them for their service.

On December 3, 2007, the Board of Selectmen held our annual Senior Citizen Holiday Party. This affair was held at Montvale Plaza. The dinner, entertainment, and beautiful dining hall were once again donated by Marty Murphy and his family, owners of Montvale Plaza. About 340 seniors enjoyed dinner, entertainment, raffle prizes, and gifts for all. The Board thanks Marty Murphy along with the businesses and individuals who generously donated money and raffle prizes or who volunteered to serve at the party. Their generosity and hard work contributed to the good time had by all.

The Board of Selectmen, which sets policy for the Town, continues to be receptive to citizen input, not only at public hearings but through phone calls received at home, in our contact with the public, and in phone calls and visits made to our office by the public. The Board, as always, welcomes this input and encourages it. The Board holds public hearings on important issues to give the townspeople and businesses

an opportunity to be heard. The Board of Selectmen and its office continue to perform the multiple, diverse functions required by both Town Bylaws and Massachusetts General Law and to assist the public where needed.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to thank all Town officers, employees, and members of committees for their efforts and dedication during the past year. Their work and cost-cutting contributed to relieving the Town's fiscal problems.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

In 2007 the Town realized $1,380,000.00 in surplus revenue. This was accomplished by turn backs from departmental budgets of $400,000.00 and an increase in projected revenues of $980,000.00. (With this unexpected surplus, the town increased its stabilization fund by $805,000.00 that brought our stabilization fund balance to $1,400,000.00.) This amount most likely will not be repeated for the close of this fiscal year because of increased costs associated with operating the Town (i.e. gasoline, heating fuel, and rock salt) that have all increased higher than we had anticipated in our FY08 budget. You will conclude that a surplus in 2008 will be extremely difficult to achieve with these increases, coupled with the reality of revenues remaining stagnant.

In FY 2008 the Town was able to sustain its public safety budgets in a way as to not affect the safety of the community. Through a grant from the State of Massachusetts, the Town was able to purchase a new police car and new boilers for the Police Station and Town Hall. The Town was also successful in obtaining an historical grant ($200,000.00) that will be used to renovate the Fire Station. I appointed a new Police Chief and Fire Chief to lead the Stoneham public safety departments. Going into the next fiscal year, there are no plans to reduce public safety personnel.

In 2007 the Town worked diligently to identify and create additional streams of revenue outside the tax base. The Town increased revenues by changing banks and getting a higher interest rate and reduced bank charges. The Town was successful in entering into a long term lease of our fire station garages with Action Ambulance and will receive $18,000.00 a year for the next ten years. We also rented out offices at our Senior Center and sold a small piece of town owned property to a long time corporate neighbor on Fallon Road for $40,000.00. This sale will continue to pay dividends by taking a piece of property that the Town received no benefit from, and turning it into a tax generating asset. The Town also sold off some of its surplus equipment.

The Town lessened insurance costs by accepting Section 18 and reduced our GASBY 45 liability in doing so by eleven million dollars (11,000,000.00). The Town also established a Public Employee Committee to negotiate entry into the Group Insurance Commission (GIC). As of this writing, no agreement has been reached with the Unions and the Town regarding the acceptance of the GIC. By coming to an agreement on this issue, the Town could realize a cost savings of $800,000.00. The Town did lessen some of its cost of health insurance for its employees by changing health care providers and the Town will reduce its share of health insurance premiums in FY 09 when most of the Unions will have agreed to increase their share of the cost from 85/15 to 80/20.

The Town will be updating its information technology with an upgrade to its MUNIS system. This, along with hiring a full time Chief Information Officer, will result in improved and more efficient services. This position was funded without adding any additional burden onto the tax payers.

I find Stoneham to be a very beautiful and well planned community with dedicated hardworking, honest people who truly care about the Town and its people. I want to thank the Board of Selectmen for giving me the opportunity and trust to manage their Town. Also my special thanks to Betty Luciano, Debbie Pettengill, and Ginny Ray of the Town Administrator's office and to all of the employees of Stoneham for the support they have given me as I go into my second year of service to you, the citizens of Stoneham.

Annual Report
Board of Assessors

Board of Assessors:

Craig Celli	Chairman
William Jordan	Secretary
Richard D Mangerian	Member

Stoneham Assessors office staff:

Brian C Macdonald	Director of Assessing
Diane F. Lawrence	Admin Assessing Assistant
Michelle Meagher	Assessing Clerk

The calendar year 2007 began with the release of the actual tax bills for the 2007 Fiscal Year. Values were set and approved under the direction of the previous Director of Assessing, Frank Golden. There were 78 applications for abatement received by the office. There were also 426 statutory exemptions granted by the Board of Assessors as well. At the conclusion of this fiscal year, the Assessors office successfully resolved all but one appeal pending before the Appellate Tax Board.

Fiscal Year 2008, which began on July 1st, 2007, was an interim year for the Stoneham Assessors office. Values were adjusted to meet state guidelines and were approved by the Department of Revenue in early November. The tax classification hearing was held on November 28th, 2007. The Board of Assessors recommended a CIP tax shift of 1.61 or 161% of the single tax rate of 11.00. The recommendation was accepted by the Board of Selectman. This established a dual tax rate for the Residential / Open Space and Commercial / Industrial / Personal Property of $10.19 and 17.70 respectively. The total valuation of the community for FY2008 decreased slightly from the previous fiscal year to $3,209,938,891.

COUNCIL ON AGING
2007 Annual Report

The mission of the Stoneham Council on Aging is to provide outstanding services to seniors by welcoming all to the Senior Center, treating people with kindness, respect and dignity, offering supportive services for social, nutritional and medical needs and providing outreach to all seniors in our community.

This past year we embarked on an exciting collaboration with Mystic Valley Elder Services entitled Project Safe. This program is designed to promote safety and independence as well as provide residents with information about the many services available to them. All Stoneham residents age 80 and older were contacted by mail or visited by an outreach worker who assisted them in conducting a health, safety and emergency survey. Each senior was given a resource bag filled with emergency preparedness information, brochures and a booklet listing resources available to seniors in the Town of Stoneham. This program was supported by the Council on Aging, the housing authority, and the fire and police departments.

Our services become increasingly important as the number of seniors is rising in Stoneham. In the years 1990-2000, there was a 6.1% increase in those residents over the age of sixty. The projected change in the years 2000-2010 is 9.0% and the projected change in the years 2000-2020 is 30.7% reflecting the "baby-boomer" generation.

To better track the number of seniors who attend the Senior Center, we have installed a new software program entitled My Senior Center. This new system was purchased by the Stoneham Senior Center Assistance League and will greatly benefit our center. Each of our clients will receive a key card to check in with the system at the front desk before they begin any of their daily activities, doing away with numerous sing-in sheets and cumbersome paperwork. There is a touch screen and simply by touching the picture of the activity a person is attending it will register them for that event. This system will assist the director in the annual report to the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. This is a senior-friendly, graphical and community-driven solution for senior centers to assist the staff and effectively deliver the highest quality of service possible to our seniors.

This year we were also given approval to rent office space on the second floor of the building. The rental income generated from this space will assist us in meeting the ongoing maintenance and upkeep expenses of the building.

We continue to offer many health programs in cooperation with Winchester Hospital, Melrose-Wakefield Hospital, the Board of Health, and other agencies to bring many health related clinics, fairs, lectures, and materials to our seniors. We work closely with Mystic Valley Elder Services in identifying those seniors in need of additional services such as homecare, meals-on-wheels, protective services and nursing home placement. We also collaborate with the North Suburban Family Network, Hospice, Homecare Agencies, visiting nurse associations, local physicians, rehabilitation programs, adult day health programs, assisted living facilities, nursing homes, AARP, Veterans' services, local State and Federal officials, Mass Health, Red Cross, Executive Office of Elder Affairs, Massachusetts Transitional Job Services, Social Security, Mental Health Organizations, local churches and schools.

Last year we received a grant to provide support services for grandparents raising grandchildren. This grant is in collaboration with Mystic Valley Elder Services, Hallmark Health, North Suburban Family Network, and the Melrose Council on Aging. We provide the meeting space for a group of grandparents every other week. Childcare is provided as well as a social worker to address the many concerns this population has in raising their grandchildren. It has been a very successful program and we recently received another grant to continue for an additional year.

The Senior Center offers many activities five days per week. Classes include Yoga, Tai Chi, Quilting, Jewelry Design, Fitness, Dancing, Bridge, Cribbage, Painting, Canasta, and Chorus. In addition to the many social activities, we offer income tax preparation, health insurance counseling, attorney services, outreach, and volunteer opportunities.

The Senior Center relies heavily on a volunteer support staff. A new group of volunteers have formed a non-profit entitled the Stoneham Senior Citizen Assistance League as a fund-raising component to support our center. This group has held several fund-raising activities and hopes to do more for the center in the upcoming years. This year we were very fortunate to have a crew from the Billerica House of Correction paint the entire outside of the Senior Center. The crew worked for over a month scraping and painting and saved us thousands of dollars in estimated costs of painting our building. In addition to this project, we had a group of employees from Hallmark Health called Team Stoneham who painted our main dining room over a weekend. Again, this saved our department a great deal of money. We also have had volunteer students from Stoneham High School, Malden Catholic High School and several scout troops assist us with projects at the Senior Center.

Our strength lies with our substantial community support. The seniors of Stoneham appreciate the fine work that is done by our dedicated staff. This past year we gave over 3,000 medical rides to Stoneham seniors. The center prioritizes transportation to dialysis, chemotherapy and radiation appointments.

Our meal site continues to grow as people now have a choice of a hot or cold meal five days per week. Our lunch is now served on china with volunteer wait staff adding to the appeal of our dining program.

While word-of-mouth often tends to be the best way to advertise our services, we do publish a monthly newsletter prepared by the Director. Also, weekly press releases are printed in our local newspapers. Many of our activities are posted throughout the town as well as on the local cable television station.

The arts have played a significant role in the new activities at the center. Recently, a group of artists have set up a work area in the lower level. This group has on-going art exhibits in the lobby of the building as well as advertised showings during the year. This year we applied for an arts grant that would provide free art classes to our seniors.

The Council on Aging Board of Directors meets once a month with the director to discuss our services, mission and ways to improve services. These meetings are open to the public and are held on the third Thursday of the month.

Our Senior Center has a fine reputation of offering a myriad of services to all our seniors. From the most independent to the frailest of seniors, we work very hard to make sure we meet all their needs. We thank all our community leaders, businesses, friends, members, staff, volunteers, and especially the seniors for their continued support.

This year we have been exploring the possibility of the senior center being managed by a local non-profit. This affiliation would not only insure the future of the center but offer many grant opportunities. The seniors have been very supportive of this venture and we look forward to the future and once more meeting our goals for the seniors in our community.

Jane Lavender, Director

Finance and Advisory Board

The primary responsibility of the Stoneham Finance and Advisory Board is to provide background recommendations to Town Meeting voters. Secondarily, the Board is free to give advice on all matters considered by the Town. The Board is a volunteer and appointed board of eleven.

In 2007, Town Meetings were held in May, August and October. Office staff of the Town Clerk, Town Administrator, Town Accountant and Board of Selectmen helped to publish Town Meeting materials. All department heads contributed information.

Insufficient reserves were cause in 2007 for a lower bond rating, illustrating again that reserve balances are insufficient and should not be used to solve recurring budget problems. The FY07 budget used over $450,000 in enterprise reserves to balance water and sewer accounts. By year end, it was necessary for a mid-fiscal year increase in the water and sewer rates. The FY07 budget also used over $600,000 in trust funds. At calendar year end, the capital funding, general fund reserve, stabilization balance and sewer and water enterprise balances did not conform to Town Fiscal Policy Guidelines.

The largest expense item of recent budgets is employee and retiree health insurance. Little was done to address that cost when Town Meeting voters approved a balanced FY08 budget in October of $58,892,121. Before that, a tax override question was defeated during a ballot election in June. In August, the Selectmen extended the flat trash fee for a third year to protect school sports and SHS accreditation. In November, the Selectmen offset a portion of the trash fee with one time revenue surplus.

The town closed its fiscal year 2007 with a significant surplus balance. Vacant town positions in the planning department, police and fire were left unfilled. Aggressive property tax collections from the Treasurer, increased school Medicaid payments, additional building permit revenues, and extra investment income accounted for much of the $600,000 extra revenues. Other significant sources were derived from a new policy in the accountant's office about payments-in-lieu of taxes, from restructuring existing debt, and from reimbursements from insurance companies, MEMA & RESCO.

- Finance and Advisory Board activities during 2007 include
- Fiscal Policy Guidelines review by Dr. Jim Sinclair
- Study of audit findings and tracking corrective actions led by John DeAmicis with Nick Stavre, Ben Caggiano, John Bowen, Andy Gould
- Cost effectiveness of Wind/Hydro/Solar energy initiatives by Richard Gregorio
- Support with the Selectmen for Town Meeting approval of a Capital Planning by-law
- Presentation of 2006 Town Finances to the Selectmen in March by Stephen Born and Jim Sinclair
- Pay-As-You-Throw financial planning by Nick Stavre and Richard Gregorio
- Town Meeting Booklet format modifications

Among the incomplete projects of 2007 are an active Capital Planning Committee, a model to forecast free cash, policy recommendations for establishing revolving accounts, and enhanced utilization of the Unicorn Recreation area.

Stephen Born, Jim Sinclair and Andy Gould were appointed as new Finance Board members in January 2007. After Annual Town Meeting in May, members John DeAmicis, Ben Caggiano and John Warren were re-appointed to the Board for another term of three years.

Several forces will pressure municipal finances during calendar 2008. Slower growth in state lottery revenues, overall negligible increases in local aid, a weak economy, the inability to approve local property tax overrides and the continued escalating costs of health insurance are the continuation of a familiar refrain to squeeze finances. A $1,000,000 FY09 budget deficit, ($2,000,000 if the trash fee is abolished), is expected in the first draft of the town fiscal 2009 budget. To bring expenses in line with revenues, budget reductions are necessary. As a result, the town will operate differently in calendar 2008. Potential savings from GIC, increased taxes from the development of BRMC property, and a healthy economy have potential to provide relief for budgets in FY11 and beyond.

The Finance and Advisory Board strives to provide a clear vision at this time of those 2008 operating changes. To prepare for FY09, employees and residents will be asked to pay more and to receive less. Until new recurring revenue sources are identified or real spending levels are substantially reduced, FY09 and FY10 project to be difficult budgets for residents and municipal leaders.

The Board begins 2008 with vacancies. Please consider joining the Finance and Advisory Board.

STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT
CHIEF JOSEPH W. ROLLI
2007

The Stoneham Fire Department strives for excellence in the performance of duty and service to the community and citizens it serves. The Stoneham Fire Department is committed to finding better ways to protect the lives and property of its citizens from the ravages of fire and other disasters and is dedicated to working together for the betterment of our community. The Stoneham Fire Departments priorities in handling all emergencies are life safety (citizens and personnel), property protection, and continuity of operations.

The majority of Fire Department resources; including personnel, equipment, facilities, and support services are committed to fire suppression activities. The basic function of fire suppression operations is that of extinguishing fires and performing related duties once a fire occurs. This, however, is not the Fire Department's only function. Throughout the year the Fire Department responded to a variety of calls for assistance. In 2007, the Fire Department responded to 3,026 calls ranging from structure fires to service calls.

A reoccurring problem the Fire Department continues to be faced with is the ability to operate effectively to reduce levels of personnel. Reduced staffing levels, increases in properties to be protected, and an increase in all types of request for assistance have pushed the efficiency of the Fire Department over the edge. The following table shows the decrease in staffing levels the past years.

STAFFING COMPARISON

Year	Ave. Daily Staffing Level
1990	9.44
2005	7.29
2006	6.96
2007	6.52

These staffing levels are disturbing because the National Fire Protection Association Standard states the absolute minimum amount of personnel responding to a structure fire should be 12. In fact, the Town of Stoneham had a Fire Department study done by MMA Consulting Group, Inc. in 2001 that reported that no shift at the Stoneham Fire Department should have less than 8 personnel working at all times.

Some of the staffing issues can be attributed to the fact that 5,071 (9% increase) hours were lost due to injured personnel and 3,264 (28% increase) hours were lost due to personnel commitments to the military.

The Stoneham Fire Department has relied upon its mutual aid partners to assist in many emergency calls, most notable the October fourth alarm fire in Stoneham Square that required the services of eight surrounding communities to mitigate. Stoneham Fire Department is a member of the Massachusetts Metro Fire District (Metro Fire). Metro Fire is an association of 34 communities plus the Massport (Logan Airport) Fire Department. The association was formed for the purpose of updating, expanding, and controlling mutual aid in the area, and to act as a common entity for exploring and

improving management activities and fire protection operations in the region. Metro Fire encompasses the Boston Metropolitan area within the Route 128 perimeter.

The Fire Prevention Division is dedicated to providing the citizens the safest possible environment in which to live. Education, Prevention, and Code Enforcement are all critical functions that provide increased fire safety for the community. Unfortunately, many times throughout the year, Fire Prevention personnel had to be reassigned to keep shift strength at even below minimum standards. The reassignment of Fire Prevention personnel forced the Fire Department to scale back its school education program from K-6 in previous years to K-3 in 2007.

The Fire Department brought $58,724. 66 (8.5% increase) into the town coffers in 2007 through master box, permit, and inspection fees. The Fire Department was awarded a $4,971.07 SAFE grant and a $7,800 Firefighting Equipment grant from the State of Massachusetts in 2007.

The Fire Department partnered successfully with two outside agencies in 2007. Mystic Valley Elder Services project SAFE was a joint endeavor whereby outreach workers from Mystic Valley conducted health, safety and emergency surveys to Stoneham residents age 80 and older. Mystic Valley would notify the Stoneham Fire Department if any of these residents were missing smoke detectors. The Fire Department installed donated smoke detectors into these residences. The Fire Department worked along with the Stoneham Housing Authority to acquire funds from the State of Massachusetts to replace the old fire alarm system at the Dunklee Ave. elderly housing units. Anticipated installation is 2008. A resident at the Dunklee Ave. housing perished in a fire in 2007.

Chief Lawrence Lamey and Captain Doug Griffin retired during the year. Captain Joe Rolli was promoted to Chief, Lieutenants Frank Gould and Jim Marshal were promoted to Captain, Firefighters John Scullin and Mike O'Sullivan were promoted to lieutenant, and Dave Eastman was hired as a Firefighter during the year.

Special thanks go to Secretary Ann Burnham for her unselfish, professional, and dedicated devotion to the Fire Department.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Firefighters Sean Fitzgerald and Justin Petrillo, both serving in the Middle East with the military. We miss them greatly and wish them a safe return to the Fire Department.

I would like to thank all members of the Stoneham Fire Department for their dedication and commitment they displayed throughout the year. It is an honor and privilege to be working with these people.

STATISTICS

SUPPRESSION:

Fires	87
Medical Aids	1730
Vehicle Accidents	359
Investigations	254
Elevator Emergency	35
Power Lines Down	107
Lockout	36
Service Calls	46
Water Problems	43
Animal Problems	10
Mutual Aid	52
Alarm Activations	267
Total	**3026**

PREVENTION:

Smoke Detector Permits	261
Oil Burner Permits	51
Sprinkler Permits	16
Propane Permits	31
Fire Alarm Systems	31
Tank Removal/Replacement	41
Tank Truck Inspections	3
Flammable Fluid Storage	2
Cutting/Welding Permits	1
Storage Tank	1
Acetylene Permits	1
Quarterly Inspections	52
Liquor License Inspections	17
Victualler License Inspections	40
School Inspections	12
Total	**560**

Chief
Joseph W. Rolli

Secretary
Ann Burnham

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Captain	**Captain**	**Captain**	**Captain**
Scott Webber	James McLaughlin Sr.	Frank Gould	Ed Regan
Lieutenant	**Lieutenant**	**Lieutenant**	**Lieutenant**
Mark Chabak	Al Minotti	Bob Dunphy	John Scullin
Firefighters	**Firefighters**	**Firefighters**	**Firefighters**
McNulty	McMahon	Brown	Bettencourt
Galla	Kearney	Grafton	Cryan
Dockery	Greenleaf	Mayo	Verhault
McLaughlin Jr.	Humber	Rexrode	Petrillo
Riggillo	Labriola	Eastman	McIntyre
Fitzgerald	OPEN	OPEN	Bernat

STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT

ENGINE ONE:	2001 American LaFrance Eagle 1,250 gpm pump.
ENGINE FOUR:	1989 Emergency One 1,000 gpm pump
ENGINE FIVE:	1986 Pirsch 1,000 gpm pump.
LADDER ONE:	1995 Emergency One Quint. Equipped with a 100 ft. heavy duty ladder and a 1,250 gpm pump.
CAR TWO:	2002 Ford Explorer
CAR THREE:	1997 Ford Explorer
CAR FOUR:	2005 Ford F350 Crew Cab
CAR FIVE:	2001 Ford F450 with a Versa-lift bucket
RESCUE BOAT:	2000 15 foot Boston Whaler with a 40hp Mercury outboard

METRO FIRE
RUNNING CARD

STONEHAM BOX 1939
Town Hall
35 Central Street

Alarm	Engine	Engine	Engine	Ladder	Station	Station
1st	STO E1			STO L1	STO E4	STO E5
2nd	STO E4	REA	WAK		MEL	
3RD	MEL	WOB			WIN	
4TH	WIN	MED			MAL	N. REA
5TH	MAL	BURL	ARL	MAL		
6TH	SAU	SOM	EVE	MED		
7TH	LEX	LYN	BOS	SOM		
8TH	SOM	BEL	WAL	LYN		
9TH	REV	CAMB	CHE	CAMB		
10TH	WEST	WATN	LYN	WAL		

FIREFIGHTERS PRAYER

When I am called to duty, God, whenever flames may rage,
Give me strength to save some life, whatever be its age.
Help me embrace a little child before it is too late,
Or save an older person from the horror of that fate.
Enable me to be alert and hear the weakest shout,
And quickly and efficiently to put the fire out.
I want to fill my calling and to give the best in me,
To guard my every neighbor and protect his property.
And if, according to my fate, I am to lose my life,
Please bless with your protecting hand my children and my wife.

STONEHAM FIRE ALARM BOXES

Box #	Location
14	38 Montvale Ave.
141	41 Montvale Ave.
15	St. Patrick's Church--Pomeworth St
161	39 Pleasant St. - Basement Smoke Detectors
1611	39 Pleasant St. - Basement Water Flow
1612	39 Pleasant St. - Exterior Pull Station
1613	39 Pleasant St. - Unassigned
162	39 Pleasant St. - Basement Pull Station
163	39 Pleasant St. - 1st Floor Smoke Detectors
164	39 Pleasant St. - 1st Floor Pull Station
165	39 Pleasant St. - 2nd Floor Smoke Detectors
166	39 Pleasant St. - 2nd Floor Pull Station

167	39 Pleasant St. - 2nd Floor YMCA Duct Smoke Detectors
168	39 Pleasant St. - 2nd Floor M/W Duct Smoke Detectors
169	39 Pleasant St. - Basement Tamper Switch
171	Redstone Shopping Center at Marshall's
172	Redstone Shopping Center at Ames
1721	Ames, Outside Pull Station
1722	Ames, Inside Pull Station
1723	Ames, Smoke Detectors
1724	Ames, Water Flow Alarm
1725	Ames, Tamper Switch
1726	Ames, Duct Smoke Detectors
173	Redstone Shopping Center at Shaw's Supermarket
174	Redstone Shopping Center--front on the south side
175	Redstone Shopping Center--rear
177	Redstone Shopping Center at Cherry, Webb & Touraine
178	Redstone Shopping Center at Ground Round
1939	Town Hall, 35 Central St.
211	Franklin Street near Emerald Ct.
2113	Stoneham High School--149 Franklin St.
2116	BrookMeadows Condos--135 Franklin St.
2117	BrookMeadows Condos--137 Franklin St.
2118	BrookMeadows Condos--133 Franklin St.
2119	BrookMeadows Condos--131 Franklin St.
212	Franklin St and Plaza Ave.
2121	Walsh Ave and Lake Ave.
2123	Villa Grande--157 Franklin St, front of the building
2124	Villa Grande--159 Franklin St, rear of the building
213	Perkins St and North Ave.
214	Franklin St. and Isabella
2141	Isabella and Ferdinand
215	Avalon Rd and Hampton Rd
2151	Colonial Park School-
216	Franklin and Perkins
217	Whip Hill
221	Sunset and Rustic
223	Rustic and Fieldstone
225	Fieldstone and Citation
23	Central Fire Station-- 25 Central St.
24	Green St, opposite #135
241	Green St. at #237
242	Green St. at Crescent Ave.
243	Longbow at Fairlane
244	Barbara Rd
245	Valdora and Barbara
25	Pleasant St. near Spring St.
251	Gould St. at Highland Ave.
252	Summer St. and Pleasant St.
257	Franklin St. and Summer St.
26	Spring St. opposite Stevens St.
261	Bow St. Ct and Brookbridge Rd.

27 Franklin and Summer
271 Summer and Summerhill
28 Spring and Beacon
281 Spring and East
2811 12 Beacon St. (old East School)
2812 Eastern Ave and Michael Circle
2813 Crystal Drive at #12
282 Spring at Lotus
283 Cricklewood and Tamarock Terrace
284 Pebble Place and Rivers Lane
285 Landers and Spring Lane
286 Hall Road at #20
287 Applehill Lane @ #6
31 Hancock and Dean Streets
311 West Hancock and Atwood
32 Maple and Chestnut Streets
321 Cedar Ave and Maple Street
3212 Glenside Apartments--5Glen Rd
33 Maple and Manison Streets
3313 4 Manison st.
3314 12 Manison St.
3316 21A Manison Stret
3321 90 Maple St.
3323 85 Maple Street
3331 100 Maple Street Building A
3332 100 Maple Street Building B
34 Marble and Park Streets
341 Park Street opposite RT 93 exit
3411 Chesterton Company
3412 HIllside Gardens Hill Street
3413 Hillside Gardens
3414 Hillside Gardens
3415 Hillside Gardens
3416 Hillside Gardens
3417 Hillside Gardens
3418 Hillside Gardens
3419 Cliffside Apartments (off Hill Street)
342 Hill Street
3421 RT 93 at Marble Street bridge
3422 Gates Condos--146 Marble St (right side of building)
3423 Gates Condos--148 Marble St (back of building)
3424 Gates Condos--144 Marble St (left side of building)
3426 Hillside Gardens--complex master box
3427 Hillside Gardens--street box at rear of complex
3431-6 The Terraces at Hillside Gardens
35 Warren St and Winthrop Square
351 Winthrop St and Congress St
352 Marble St and Lincoln
3521 Benton St. Condos--12 Benton St.
36 Main and Marble Streets

361 Main St. and Peabody Rd.
3611 South School--Summer Street
3612 Greystone Apartments--555 Main Street
362 Main St. and Wilson Rd.
3621 RT 93 at RT 28 bridge
363 Greystone and Summit Roads
37 Woodland Rd. and Pond St.
371 B.R.M.C. grounds
3711 B.R.M.C. Ruble Wing
3713 B.R.M.C. Main Entrance
3714 B.R.M.C. Medical Arts Building
3715 B.R.M.C. Physicians Office Building
3716 B.R.M.C. Administration
3717 Life Care Center, 25 Woodland Road
372 Phillips Rd. and Fellsway East
373 Park Terrace Apartments--West Wyoming Ave.
3741 Fellsview Terrace Apartments--Fellsway East
38 Summer and Pond Streets
381 Pond St and Gorham Ave.
3811 Edgewood School--Pond St.
382 Campbell Rd. and Pond St.
3821 M.D.C Garage--rear of the building
383 Pond Street opposite Middlesex Fells Office
386 Skyewood Drive at #10
41 Lindenwood Road at West Street
411 Joan and Butler Avenues
42 Montvale Avenue at #73
4211 Foxcroft Appartments--71 Montvale Avenue
4212 100 Ledgewood Drive--South Building
4213 200 Ledgewood Drive--North Building
4215 100 Mountainview Drive--Right Building
4216 200 Mountainview Drive--Back Building
4217 300 Mountainview Drive--Left Building
4218 Stoneham Oaks, Montvale Ave.
42181 Stoneham Arena-- 101 Montvale Avenue
4219 92 Montvale Avenue
4221 91 Montvale Avenue--Exec. Park
4223 48 Montvale Avenue
4224 80 Montvale Avenue
42241 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank tamper switch
42242 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank 1st Floor smoke & pulls
42243 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank 2nd floor smoke & pulls
42244 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank water flow
42245 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank spare
42246 80 Montvale Ave, Stoneham Bank elevator smoke
4225 88 Montvale Ave
42261 54 Montvale Ave, Montvale Plaza pulls and smokes
42262 54 Montvale Ave, Montvale Plaza water flow
42263 54 Montvale Ave, Montvale Plaza tamper switch
42264 54 Montvale Ave, Montvale Plaza 1st floor kitchen

42265 54 Montvale Ave, Montvale Plaza 2nd floor kitchen
43 Forest Street opposite Dewitt Road
431 Berkley Street and Drury Lane
44 Main Street and Montvale Avenue
441 Main Street and Lindenwood Road
4411 Rosetree Plaza--Main Street
442 Flint Avenue and Rowe Street
45 Main and Elm Streets
451 Oak Street at #40
4511 Albion Avenue at Kays Road
4513 Stoneham Ford--185 Main Street
4516 Monterosa--Building 1--159A Main Street--Back Right
4517 Monterosa--Building 2--159C Main Street--Left
4518 Monterosa--Building 3--159B Main Street--Front Right
4519 Bear Hill Apartments--150 Main Street
452 Oak Street at Weld Road
4521 Robinhood School--Magnolia Terrace
453 Bonad Road at Myopia
454 Governor Road at Myopia
455 Rodgers Road and Spruce Street
456 Alden Avenue at #17
46 William Street opposite West Street
461 Opposite 391 William Street
462 William Street and Dewitt Road
4621 Cedar Street at Woburn/Reading Line
4622 Arnold House--490 William Street
4623 BJ's Wholesale, Cedar St.
4624 Unicorn Golf Course, William St.
47 Main Street before Broadway (both sides)
471 Main and George Streets (both sides)
4711 Buckingham Terrace--64,66.68 Main Street
4713 Stoneview Appartments--52 Main Street
4715 Stoneham Savings Bank--88 Main Street
472 North Street near Bear Hill Golf Club
4721 Leisure Manor--100 & 200 Leisure Lane
4722 Bear Hill Golf Club, 5 North Street
4723 2 Main St.
4724 Seville Condos--40 Main Street--Front Building
4725 Seville Condos--44 Main Street--Back Building
4731 Stonehill Towers--Building #1
4733 Stonehill Towers--Building #3
4735 Stonehill Towers--Building #5
4737 Stonehill Towers--Building #7
48 North Street and Northgate Road
481 Forest and Oak Streets
4811 Forest Street at #49
482 North Street at Crosby
49 Curve Road at Moulton Avenue
491 Wildwood Lane and Evergreen Road
492 Erickson and Arlene Avenue

493 Hanford and Rose Lane
494 Wagner and Elaine
495 Constitution at #12
51 Elm and Waverly
511 High Street opposite #32
5111 Elm Street at #41
5112 41 Elm Street Rear
512 High Street and Broadway
5121 Towncrest Drive at #28
513 Bearhill Road and High Street
514 MaCarthur Road and Hillside Avenue
515 Marshall Road and Lawndale
516 Lawndale Road at #12
517 Park Avenue at Wakefield line
52 Elm and Washington Streets
521 Seward Street and Chase Road
522 Keene Street and Cowdrey
53 Pomeworth and Williams Streets
531 Washington Street and Washington Avenue
5311 Calthea Street at #45 (housing project)
532 Avon and Myrtle Streets
5321 Washington Avenue at #44 (housing project)
5322 Parker Chase Road--Elderly Housing
533 Central School--25 William Street
5331 Central Arms Apartments--32 Pomeworth Street
5332 Pomeworth Condos--43 Pomeworth Street
54 Elm Street and Brackett Avenue
5411 Duncklee Avenue--Elderly Housing
5421 Council on Aging--136 Elm Street
551 South School
5511 South School
5512 South School
5513 South School
552 South School, 1st Floor
553 South School, 1st Floor
554 South School, 2nd Floor
555 South School, 2nd Floor
556 South School, 3rd Floor
557 South School, 3rd Floor
558 South School, Boiler Room
559 South School, 3rd Floor
56 Central Street and Wescott Road
561 Collincote Street and Endicott Road
5611 Red Sneakers Day Care--Collincote Street
562 Steele and Collincote Streets
61 Franklin and Pine Streets(master box for the Credit Union)
611 Pine and Middle Streets
6112 Fuller House--32 Franklin Street
6113 Boy's Club--Dale Court
6114 Residences At Stoneham Square

612 Hancock and Pond Streets
62 Pine and Gould Streets
6211 Stoneham Municipal Garage
6221 Alliance House--38 Pleasant Street
63 Main Street and Central Square
631 Hersam and Wright Streets
6311 Emerson Condos--Wright Street
6312 Stoneham Savings Bank, 359 Main Street
6313 Stoneham Theatre--385 Main Street
6318 Stoneham Theatre--385 Main Street
632 Main and Church Streets
6321 Congregational Church--Main Street
6331 Residences at Stoneham Square
6332 Maynard Moore Company--430 Main Street
6333 Stoneham Public Library--Main Street
64 Central and Common Streets
641 Central and Union Streets
6411 Stoneham Community Access--Central and Common Streets
6418 8-10 Common Street
642 Central and Williams Streets
6421 Middle School--101 Central Street
6455 Massbank--240 Main Street
65 Main and Hancock Streets
652 Spencer Street at #25

ANNUAL BOARD OF HEALTH
HEALTH DEPARTMENT
REPORT 2007

The mission of the Board of Health is to educate, promote, improve and protect the health and well being of the citizens of Stoneham, while contributing to building a healthy community and environment in which to live. According to the Town's Bylaws, State and Federal Laws, the Board of Health is under a dutiful obligation to develop and implement health policies, standards, bylaws and regulations.

BOARD:
The Board of Health is comprised of three (3) elected officials; these positions are three-year terms with one member being elected annually. The members consist of Daniel T. Doherty, who is our newest member and current Chairman of the Board of Health. Mr. Doherty brings an extensive background in consulting for regulatory compliance, operations management and emergency preparedness with the FAA, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, NASA and Homeland Security. Traci A. Mello, occupies the position of Secretary. Lieutenant John J. Scullin of the Stoneham Fire Department holds the Secretary's seat.

The Board of Health holds meetings each month. Additional meetings are scheduled if required. The members of the Board of Health held ten (9) meetings this year. Besides being proactive with public health issues and the rules and regulations, the Board decided on the following items:

9 Hearings: Site Plans
2 Hearings; MGL, Article II, Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation;
2 Hearings under Bylaw Chapter 20, Article VI Dumpster Regulations;
3 Hearings: MGL, Article X Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments;
1 Hearing under Bylaws Chapter 20, Article X Tobacco Control Regulations:
1 Hearing: 105 CMR 435.000-Minimum Standards for Pools
1 Hearing: Request for Variance
The Board will continue to be proactive within the community.

Agent/Director Robert F. Bracey has been with the Board since March of 2003. He came with extensive knowledge in Public Health. He has served as an Inspector for the City of Cambridge for the 7 years prior to taking the position in Stoneham. He was the Town Agent in Winchester, Tyngsboro for 4 years.

Support staff includes:

Robert F. Bracey	Health Agent / Director
Margaret Drummey, RN	Public Health Nurse
Denise F. Breen	Office Assistant
Karyn C. Incatasciato	Office Assistant

HEALTH AGENT/DIRECTOR
Under the direction of and on behalf of the Board of Health, the Health Agent/Director is responsible for maintaining the day-to-day operations of the department. The Agent/Director also keeps The Chairman of The Board of Health updated on a daily basis

and works closely with the Town Administrator and other Department Heads within the town. The Health Agent/Director enforces of local, state, and federal regulations pertaining to the general public health, safety, and environment. This division inspects food service establishments, public and semi-public swimming pools; tanning establishments, dumpsters and minimum standards for human habitation and housing. This division is also responsible for investigating nuisances, environmental and sanitation issues and responsible for providing educational materials.

The Health Agent/Director received and investigated 35 complaints:
The following is a break down of the investigated complaints in individual categories.

Dumpster	05	Rodents	02
Food Service	05	Sanitation	04
Housing	05	Rubbish	03
Miscellaneous	10	Odor	01

Besides the 83 complaint investigations, the Health Agent performed 823 inspections; follow up inspections and court appearances.

Food Service Routine	143
Food Service Follow up	86
Housing and Follow-up	256
Miscellaneous & Follow-up Inspections	362
Total	847

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) continues to add responsibilities to local Boards of Health. These tasks add to an already over burdened local Health Department and its staff. With these added responsibilities the Health Agent has continued to provide various training programs by utilizing shared programming. With the limited staffing and funding in the Board of Health, shared programs are cost effective and work well to establish twice as many opportunities for our communities to maintain high operating standards and procedures.

As of October 1, 2001, each food service establishment is required to employ a certified food manager on site at all times. On May 31, 2005, those same establishments were required to take a refresher course in food service. This certification and refresher course confirms that a food service establishment understands prevention methods for safe handling and cooking procedures.

Under the regulations for food service establishments, it is a requirement that restaurants employ a person who is trained in Food Manager Certification and be on site at all times. It is also a requirement that establishments with 25 seats or more be trained in Choke Save. This office would like to thank the Emergency Medical Services Division of the Fire Department for their continued support to this department.

The Department of Public Health (DPH) continues to mandate local Board of Health with more and more responsibilities without supplying any funding resources.

The Health Agent/Director sits as an active member of the Site Plan Committee; this committee consists of department heads, which review site plans. Recommendations

and/or requirements are discussed with applicant prior to the Board of Selectmen site plan meeting. By taking this extra step with the applicant, the requirements are clarified and discussed, thus making the process easier for the applicant. The Health Agent also sits on the Stoneham Emergency Management Team.

This committee has formed a model project group and has been taking a gentler way to approach neighborhood code violations. A representative from the Board of Health, Building and Fire Departments have been working together listening to the residents and businesses owners to solve neighborhood problems of non-compliance with pertinent regulations. The committee has met with the business owners and residents, have inspected the area, and have been working on solving the infractions. Most of the health infractions have been corrected with the major facilities working on the correction process.

The Board of Health office recommends the residents of Stoneham protect themselves from mosquitoes (during dusk and dawn hours) and remove any harborage of mosquitoes, i.e. stagnant water.

Public Health changes with the seasons and circumstances make educating the general public of the risks surrounding each circumstance an extremely important aspect of Public Health. The Health Agent/Director maintains an open door policy and encourages all residents and businesses owners' needing assistance to contact the office.

The Health Agent/Director along with the Board of Health *proposed the following departmental goals* for the upcoming year:
-Develop a new navigator-friendly Board of Health website.
-Distribute New Emergency Preparedness information for the residents of the Town of Stoneham.
-Increase the presence and involvement of the Board in the community utilizing the media and on-site education;
-Increase community programming and services;
-Continue to be proactive in helping new establishments, businesses and property owners within our community; and
-Maintain a high standard of safety by promoting the philosophy the Board of Health mission statement.

OFFICE ASSISTANTS:

The office assistant is an extremely important position. This position maintains databases and prepares all permits, licenses, and accounts payable/receivable for approval. It provides a variety of complex clerical and administrative duties in a confidential manner and with an eye for detail. In addition, this position transcribes the minutes of the Board's monthly meetings, and composes correspondence as directed. They assemble and prepare a variety of reports for the Health Agent, Public Health Nurses, and Board as needed. All the above is provided to this office on a limited part time basis.

Ms. Karyn Incatasciato, Office Assistant started with the Department in January of 2001. Ms. Breen started in October of 2000. Both Ms. Incatasciato and Ms. Breen have continued the high standards this office has sent forth. Both have gone through six years of learning a department with many facets while maintaining the highest quality of

departmental standards. They both also continue to display the professionalism, courtesy and knowledge that is needed and expected to serve the residents of Stoneham.

These positions are responsible for collecting permits fees and collected $44,852.00. The following is an individual breakdown of categories of permit issued by this department.

Animals	7
Canteen (mobile) Trucks	7
Disposal Contractors	39
Dumpster Permits, Long Term	267
Dumpster permits Short Term	67
Food Services and Retail	206
Funeral Directors	3
Housing Fitness	126
Infectious Waste	1
Massage Establishments	8
Massage Therapist	20
Recreational Camps	1
Septic Haulers	3
Swimming Pools	8
Tanning Establishments	2
Temporary Food Service	53
Tobacco Permits	21
Total permits issued	839

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES:

The roles and responsibilities of the public health nurse (PHN) are comprehensive involving every individual and constituency in the community from infants to seniors, from municipal and corporate employees to private citizens. PHNs are a vital resource for local boards of health because they possess the professional training, local knowledge and clinical experience to identify problems, develop regulations and policies to implement programs. (Nursing Spectrum, Nov 99). In addition to screenings, clinics and vaccine distribution, the PHN provides many other vitally important services to their community.

They provide anonymous information and instruction on a wide range of issues ranging from sexually transmitted diseases to lice. They also provide counseling and resource assistance to Stoneham residents, i.e. assisting elderly access to the health care systems, referring families to Women Infant and Children supplemental food program and the Children's Medical Security Plan, and refer clients to visiting nurse services when appropriate. PHN collaborate with the school nurses regarding clinics and community health care concerns, as well as serving as health care consultants for private schools in Stoneham and make home visits to assess and provide services as needed.

64 Reportable Diseases Investigated

Campylobacter	5
Salmonella	8
Lyme disease	2
Pertussis	8

Hepatitis A	0
Hepatitis B	7
Hepatitis C	9
Giardiasis	1
Varicella	1
E.coli0157:H7	2
Group B/A Strep	0/1
Streptococcal pneumonia	1
Cryptosporidiosis	1
Babesiosis	0
Haemophilis influenza	0
Legionellosis	0
Meningitis viral	2
Meningitis other	0
Shingellosis	1
Latent Tuberculosis	10
TB	1
Fifth Disease	0

Monthly Blood Pressure Clinic:

Clients seen at clinic	255
Home/office visits	155
Total	400

Hepatitis B Clinics:	13
Fire/Police/Miscellaneous	0
Other Immunizations:	147
Mantoux Testing:	57
Influenza Clinics:	
Client seen at clinics/home	1472
Homebound patients treated annually:	60
Vaccine Distribution: total doses	5253

Hepatitis B Vaccination: Hepatitis B is available from the Department of Public Health therefore we are able to offer the three dose vaccine series to municipal safety personnel and clients requesting the series.

Meningococcal Vaccination:

Meningococcal disease is a very virulent disease that affects adults and children every year. The disease is particularly prevalent in the collage population especially with those that live in dormitories. The disease presents itself with flu like symptoms but can progress to coma or death in hours. The meningococcal vaccine can protect students from many but not all forms of the disease. The Meningococcal Conjugate vaccine was made mandatory in 2005 (MGL Ch. 76, s.15D) for new students at residential schools (boarding schools) with grades 9-12 and new full and part time, undergraduate and graduate students in degree granting programs at post-secondary institutions (college)

that provide or license housing. The vaccine, Menactra is offered through primary care physicians and clinics.

Influenza Clinics:
This year the state distributed the flu doses in a timely manner in one allocation allowing the BOH to hold its annual Flu Clinic at Town Hall on October 29th and 30th. A total of 5870 doses of vaccine were received of which 3870 were distributed to physicians within the town who are enrolled in the vaccine provider program. The Public Health nurse held the remaining influenza clinics at the Board of Health office every Monday from 9 am to 12 am for a total of 3 clinics during the month of December. Any requests for flu vaccine during the months of January and February, 2008 were encouraged per MDPH. With the help of several dedicated volunteers including School Nurses, Retired Public Health Nurses and students from Salem State College we administered approximately 1,345 doses of flu vaccine at these clinics. There were over 60 homebound senior clients that received flu vaccine.

Diabetic Teaching
The Public Health Nurse will continue to conduct educational teaching and demonstrations by appointment only.

Mantoux Testing (Tuberculosis)
The public health nurses are mandated by law to inform DPH of the positive PPDs. A new template has been formatted by the TB division of DPH which is the LTB form. When a client presents with a positive PPD, we will then discuss the options of a specific clinic in the area and help coordinate the initial appointment for follow up testing and medication if necessary. We provide PPD testing to residents of Stoneham for a nominal fee of $5.00. The majority of the people being tested are low risk but work in the health care field.

Nurses' Year in Review

Prioritizing is still a must as we seek to explore ways to expand our role and yet still meet the daily required tasks of the office. The nurses continue to have active membership with the Northeast chapter of Public Health Nurses. A collaborative relationship still exists with all the school nurses.

The Hepatitis A Vaccine Program offered to all Food Establishments in the community has been completed. The Program will continue to be offered to all food handlers and all are encouraged to sign up. The benefits far out weigh the risks.

The PHN worked with the American Cancer Society 's campaign advisor to raise awareness for early cancer screening . Each month different materials were provided to the public encouraging all individuals at risk to seek early screening.

The PHN participated in a successful Mentoring Program sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce held at the High School.

Presented an in-service to the kindergarten and first graders at South School, the Purpose School and the Boys and Girls Club regarding hand-washing,using dialogue, handouts and the Glo-Germ kit

An Epi Pen training class was held for teachers at St. Patrick's School.

The PHN visited the Purpose School for yearly Health Care Consultant Agreement.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and the leading cause of adult disability. The Public Heath Nurses offered "Stroke Heroes Act Fast" a program presented at the Boys and Girls Club to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of stroke.

The Public Health Nurses and the School Nurses continue working together in a collaborative effort to keep Stoneham healthy. A continuing effort of communication between Schools and the Board of Health is primary.

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The nurses continued to be involved in local emergency planning issues, which propose plans in the event of any public health crisis. The Mystic Valley Coalition has been formed with the following cities and towns, Stoneham, Medford, Malden, Melrose and Wakefield. The meetings are held at the Medford town hall once a month. Other municipalities such as the fire, police, public works and school departments all play an integral role in this planning. Planning and implementation has begun for a Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) in Stoneham.

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A successful Town Day was enjoyed by the community. The BOH topic this year was "Peer Pressure and Smoking."

Public Health nurses continue to mentor nursing students during the winter and spring semester. The schools which currently utilize the Stoneham Board of Health are Emmanuel College, Regis College and Salem State College.

The Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun are both utilized for public notices on Health Awareness articles. Summer health issues and current health topics have been published.

The nurses also have attended various seminars on immunization updates, surveillance updates, tuberculosis, communicable/infectious diseases and vaccine safety in order to maintain a high standard of practice and quality assurance. A Public Health nurse will regularly attend the monthly Public Nurse meetings along with the annual Conference of Pubic Health Nurses.

The office continues to be audited once a year by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health regarding proper vaccine storage and distribution. The Board of Health successfully completed the audit.

Stoneham PHN's were included in the training of a secure web base surveillance system called MAVen (Ma Virtual Epi Network). All reportable communicable diseases are now in this system.

□ PROPOSED PLANS FOR 2008

- Continue to educate the citizens of Stoneham regarding public health issues.

- Utilize Cable Access Channel and the news media to promote Health Awareness.

  Investigate interest, need and availability of the new Shingle vaccine, Zostavax.

- Continue to collaborate with other health and safety professionals in our community regarding emergency preparedness.

Stoneham Historical Commission 2007 Annual Report

The Stoneham Historical Commission is a seven member board mandated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years. Its main objective is to help identify and preserve those buildings and/or areas that are historically and architecturally significant to our Town. The current members are Chairman Stephen E. Rotondi, Vice-Chairman Christopher Willard, Treasurer Joanne DiMambro, Secretary Marcia Wengen, Joan Quigley, and Margaret Warren. In December 2007, David Armato resigned leaving a vacancy on the Commission

Our thirtieth year in existence was a busy one. The Commission continued working on its web site www.stonehamhistoricalcommission.us and is attempting to integrate it with the town's website. Work slowly progressed on the Commission's project to do a video on the burial sites of prominent Stonehamites. In conjunction with that project, the Commission approved a request from Zack Kline to inventory and photograph the Old Burying Ground as his Eagle Scout project. The Commission also succeeded in getting a portion of the fence at the rear of the old Burying Ground replaced. The Commission also hopes to start a Historic Home Plaque program.

At the May 2007 Town Meeting, the Commission supported a warrant article submitted by Marcia Wengen to grant a Preservation Restriction to the Massachusetts Historical Commission on the Fire Station. It was passed by Town Meeting. This restriction prevents the Town or any future owner of the building from demolishing or substantially altering the appearance of the Fire station without approval from the Massachusetts Historical Commission. It was also necessary to have in order to secure a $200,000.00 grant from the Commonwealth for restoration purposes. With these funds work has commenced on replacing the doors, painting the trim and repairing leakage problems.

In May 2007, the Commission awarded its annual Heritage Award to Paulene "Bee" Russo. It was awarded in recognition of her many years of efforts to preserve Stoneham's history.

In celebration of Preservation Month, the Commission and the Historical Society held a joint meeting on May 17, 2007. Featured speaker was Dee Morris who talked about "Victorian Soda Fountains".

On a rainy day in September, the Commission had its customary booth at Town Day. On display were a number of pictures of the Fire Station and copy of the original blueprints. The day was cut short when a sudden gust of wind broke one of our canopy's legs. Since the canopy is beyond repair, we are looking into replacing it.

In October, the Commission continued its program of donating books to the Public Library. The 7 books donated this year were: In Small Things Forgotten: An Archaeology of Early American Life, Renovating Old Houses: Bringing New Life to Vintage Homes, Stories in Stone, Indians of the Northeast Woodlands, The Octagon House: A Home for All, Discovering America's Favorite Architects, and Renovating and Restyling Vintage Homes.

Stoneham Historical Society

36 William Street
Stoneham, MA. 02180-3845

The popular Historical Society tradition of 70 years is enjoyed by members Jane & George Trenholm, Marian and Dan Towse, and Bob VanTichelt.

The Stoneham Historical Society celebrated its 85th year as an organization and museum dedicated to preserving the rich history of our town. Within its walls at 36 William Street are carefully preserved, documents, artifacts and vital records that tell the story of Stoneham. Not only does the building serve as a museum, but as a meeting house for its monthly gatherings on the second Thursday of October, November, March, April and May. This venerable old, building also serves as the destination for Stoneham's third graders as they make their annual field trip in May to see the artifacts which enhance their study of the history of the Town during the school year.

The Society's most valuable resource, however, are the many dedicated volunteers who share in the thirst for history and a desire to preserve and protect the treasures that we have. The volunteers serve as caretakers for future generations. We invite any new members to join us at the monthly meetings to learn more about the Society. The Society operates as a 501C 3 non-profit organization. Please visit our website at www.rootsweb.com/~mashs for information, research requests, or communication with one of our volunteers.

During the past year, 2007, the Society opened its doors and participated in the following events.

February- The Society was a Perseverance partner with the Stoneham Theatre as the community remembered the true spirit of perseverance, while growing up during the Depression. The Society assisted in providing photos, news articles and personal

accounts during the Theatre's performance of "The Grapes of Wrath". Many were displayed in the Theatre lobby. The annual Research Day on the 1st Saturday in February was attended by people wanting to learn more about their homes.

March- Recollections from the Depression was the topic during this month's meeting. Members and guests shared stories of what it was like then.

April- Guest speaker, Brigid Alverson, spoke on the history of the Curtis Marshmallow Factory located in Melrose between 1913 to the mid 40's. The founders Emma and Amory Curtis, created the Liberty sandwich which today is commonly know as the "Fluffernutter".

May- Guest speaker, Dee Morris, spoke on the history of the soda fountain, a pleasant memory from the past. Third graders delighted in their field trip to the Society during the entire month.

Cheryl Vince-Hollander Public Relations, Jan Houghton Bank President, Donna Weiss President Historical Society and Crolyn Umbch Public Relations gather for photo-op following a presentation about the 120 year history of the StonehamBank.

October- Our curator , Mary Marchant, showed a slide presentation of Main Street Stoneham in the 1950's. It was an enjoyable trip down "memory lane" for many longtime residents.
"Treasures from the Past 100 Years" was the theme of our Open House on October 14th. Volunteers brought down from the attic artifacts acquired over the years but never on display to the public. A Police log book from the early 1900's was an eye opener into what life was like back then . Chief Rolli , of the Fire Department, donated many interesting artifacts and log books for safekeeping in our archives. A cross section from an old wooden water main attracted many a curious eye. These and many other items were on display at the Open House.
October was a busy month for the Society, as longtime and respected member, Mary K. Marchant, was awarded a Seven Over Seventy Award. This award celebration,

sponsored by the Stoneham Sun and HomeInstead Senior Care, honors seven senior members of our community for their accomplishments and contributions to the Stoneham community.
Our congratulations to all the recipients and and heartfelt thank you to Mary for all that she does for the Society.

Badge, handcuffs, aand "billy" club given to residents Luther Hill and Frederick Hanford when they visited Stoneham, England in 937. Items such as these were brought down from the attic for the Open House in October.

November- Jan Houghton, Cheryl Vince-Hollander, and Carolyn Umbach from the StonehamBank provided a fascinating Powerpoint presentation about how the Bank evolved over the last 120 years. The annual Harvest Supper preceded the talk.

The Historical Society welcomes all who are interested in preserving the rich history of our Town.

"Pride in Our Past; Faith in Our Future"

Submitted by Donna Weiss , President Stoneham Historical Society

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

The following eight members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee for a term of three years: Chairwoman, Maureen Houghton, Vice Chairman, Dennis Visconti, Secretary, Denise Healy, Chris Abreu, Therese DiBlasi, Stephen McDonough, James Sarno and Stephen Sylvester. Full-time Recreation Department Heads are: Rick Arzillo, Golf Course & Municipal Parks/Grounds Superintendent, Christine DelRossi, Recreation Program Coordinator and Lou Chiulli, Arena Manager.

The Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee are committed to provide quality Recreation for the citizens of the Town of Stoneham. We wish to remind the citizens of the Town to visit the facilities and share in our pride. Stoneham Recreation organizes a variety of recreation programs throughout the year for residents of all ages. Flyers are distributed through the schools, library and mail. Registration is first come, first serve. Programs with low enrollment are canceled.

May 7, 2007 Town Meeting approved to zero (0) fund Recreation Department 542. Warrant Article 26 was voted that the Town reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation Program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2007 from the existing Revolving Fund account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto. October 18, 2007 Town meeting approved warrant article 13 to adjust FY'08 Budget in Department 542 for $15,000 in salaries. A capital investment of $15,000 was approved for Sports equipment and capital needs for the Recreation Park Field House. For the Stoneham Arena $40,000 was approved for Low E Ceiling. Majority Vote required.

STONEHAM ARENA

On February 28, 2007 less than an hour before the puck would be dropped for the first MIAA State Tournament game, the Stoneham Arena roof developed a leak that began over the bleachers and slowly proceeded down the entire length of the ice surface. The MIAA State Tournament Director canceled all the games at Stoneham Arena and rescheduled at other Arenas. We attempted to keep up with the leaks by putting approximately 18 – 20 barrels in the arena to catch the water. Barrels were being emptied hourly as we were attempting to control the situation and develop a plan to eliminate losing the least amount of ice rentals. A contractor was contacted to install the water diverter tarps with hoses that were purchased. The water diverters and hoses emptied into barrels and were checked hourly to avoid having standing water that might cause unsafe health conditions. With the successful installation of the water diverters the Stoneham Arena was able to reopen its doors on Sunday, March 3, 2007. Fortunately at the May 5, 2007 Town Meeting, the residents approved the Article to appropriate $500,000 to fund the costs associated with the repair and replacement of the Stoneham Arena roof. In October, 2007 the Stoneham Arena Roof contract was awarded to Gibson's Roofs, Inc. and work was completed.

With the completion of the roof, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) has contracted to hold their games at Stoneham Arena during this season. The Massachusetts Hockey Association Sectional Midget and Pee Wee Hockey Tournament that was held during FY'2007 were so successful that they expanded its program from one to two tournaments this season. During the year the boards and glass located under the time clock have been taking a beating resulting in constant adjustments and additions to ensure the safety of our clients. However, a high school game had to be canceled because the boards at the opposite end are starting to have problems. A turn buckle system has been installed at that end to get us through the remainder of the season. The process has been started to investigate the bid process for new boards and glass to be installed during our normal shut down time.

Larry Brophy, Department of Public Works solicited quotes from several contractors to remove and replace the existing boiler and storage tank that provided hot water for the showers, bathrooms and zamboni. Powderhouse Plumbing, Inc. was selected to provide the services for the replacement boiler. By replacing the water heater, it has taken some of the burden off the system that supplies heat to the locker rooms. Public Skating and Stick Practice revenues continue to increase. Having heat back in the building has made it more comfortable for the public skaters who have passed the word along to other skaters.

During the summer months, we initiated another stick program for children 15 years and younger which proved to be very successful. Due to its success, this program will be available during the summer of 2008. The Learn to Figure Skate Club and Stoneham Figure Skating Club are the two major figure skating clubs. Stoneham Youth Hockey has continued their Midget, Bantams, Pee Wee, Mites and Squirt levels and an instructional hockey programs. During this High School season, Austin Prep Boys Team was added to our list of "Home Arena" teams.

Stoneham Arena has been operating the vending machines since October 1, 2007 and has recently leased the concession for the remainder of the fiscal year to William & Susan Copson. Operating the concession has provided a valuable service to both Stoneham Arena and our patrons. Since the beginning of Fiscal Year 2008, Stoneham Arena has been operating the Pro Shop. David & Susan Tropeano have been providing the services for the Pro Shop.

The web site has proven to be an excellent source of information for the general public as more individuals have utilized the information provided. Public skating hours are Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. and Sundays (November through March) from 4:00 p.m. to 5:50 p.m. Stick Practice is held Monday through Friday from 12:00 noon to 1:50 p.m. Preschool lessons are held on Tuesday and/or Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. Adult group lessons are also held on Tuesday and/or Wednesday mornings.

For additional information regarding our facility, please check the web site at www.stoneham-ma.gov/arena

Submitted by Lou Chiulli, Arena Manager

We proceeded with the golf season by opening Unicorn Golf Course on March 24, 2007 and Stoneham Oaks on April 20, 2007. Carl Marchio and Ken Pratt the on site P.G.A. Professionals at Unicorn and Stoneham Oaks provided lessons and golf clinics throughout the season which affected golf rounds. The season closed for play on December 2, 2007.

Submitted by Rick Arzillo, Golf Superintendent

RECREATION PROGRAMS (DEPARTMENT 542)

Stoneham Recreation has been self-supporting since July 1, 2005. This department is dependent on program fees, sponsors, fundraising and donations. Stoneham Bank has been a great supporter and has sponsored the Summer Open Parks Program and the Open Gym Basketball Program for several years. Without Stoneham Bank these programs would not be offered.

The following is a list of activities/services that were provided to the citizens of Stoneham in 2007:

Field Permits
Adventure Club
Open Parks Program
Recreation Tennis
Fall after School Drama
Winter after School Drama
High School Boys Soccer
Spartan Sports Program
Men's Over 30 basketball
Major League Soccer Camps
Adult Yoga
High School Musical Event
Skyhawks Programs
Baseball
Basketball
Golf
Soccer
Tennis
Volleyball
Scheduling Recreation Park Field House
Top Secret Science Programs
Open Gym Basketball Program
Pole Vaulting
Jr. Golf League at Stoneham Oaks
Golf Lessons at Unicorn Golf Course
Girls High School Soccer
Spartan Baseball Program
Kids Just Love Crafts
Major League Soccer Clinics
Athletic Edge Football Clinics
Puppetry Program
Baking Program
Mount Hood Golf Lessons
World Track Record Program
Elementary Art Program
Spartan Soccer School
Thundercat Basketball
Showcase Movie Tickets

GRATITUDE:

- The Recreation Department would like to give special thanks to the Department of Public Works and the School Department for their assistance and cooperation during the course of the year.
- Thank you to Recreation Committee Member Dennis Visconti for overseeing the Men's fall and winter over 30 Basketball League.
- Thank you to Carolyn Lassiter from Re/Max in Stoneham for offering to hold a Hot Air Balloon Fundraiser for Stoneham Recreation. Unfortunately the

weather was not cooperative and the original date & make-up date forced the event to be canceled.

- Thank you to Stoneham resident Liz Arno for volunteering her time and expertise to teach Middle School students drama.
- Thank you to all the seasonal staff and coaches for working with Stoneham Recreation in offering safe and fun programs.
- I would personally like to thank Stoneham residents for their support, kind words and participation over the year. It is a pleasure to serve a wonderful community.
- A special thanks to the O'Keefe Family for their donations throughout the years in memory of Recreation Committee member Robert O'Keefe, Jr. and his father Robert O'Keefe, Sr.
- An extra special thank you to the Selectmen, Stoneham Bank, Chamber of Commerce, Stoneham Youth Organizations and volunteers (especially Joe and Emily Viselli) that assisted during the course of the year.

DONATIONS AND SPONSORS

Stoneham Bank (Open Gym Program) $3,000.00
Stoneham Bank (Open Park Program) $3,000.00
Eastern Bank - $2,500.00
Stoneham Pop Warner Football $1,750.00
Weiss Farm & Donna Weiss – Open Park Program $1,500.00
Dave Harrington, Sr. & Jr. $1,000.00
North Shore Generals – Football Organization $700.00
Domenic Colucci, Men's Soccer $600.00
Stoneham Little League - $500.00
Stoneham Youth Softball - $500.00
Our Lady of Nazareth Academy $325.00
Giovanni Ferrari, Men's Soccer $300.00
Salvatore LoGrasso, Men's Soccer $300.00
Misc. Donations – High School Musical Event $320.00
Chamber of Commerce - $250.00
Stoneham Pop Warner Football Candy Donation $230.00
Stoneham Rotary Club – Open Park Program Games $200.00
Red Sox raffle (thanks to Ron Castignetti) $192.00
Ron Castignetti - $100.00
Ian & Denise Danis, Stoneham residents $100.00
Dorothy Harkins in memory of Robert O'Keefe Sr. & Jr. $100.00
Carolyn O'Keefe in memory of Robert O'Keefe Sr. & Jr. $100.00
Ramos Iron Works – field donation $100.00
AADL LLC – field donation $100.00
Tsamakis Pizza, Inc. – field donation $100.00
Telephone Workers Credit Union $100.00
Robert Coles & family – Open Park Program $50.00
John Geraghty, Stoneham resident $50.00
Julie Gould - Open Park Program $50.00
John Scullin, Stoneham resident $50.00
Denise Healy & John Pellegrino in memory of Mary Wiley $25.00

Arthur Hartung, Stoneham resident $25.00
Mary Caturello, Stoneham resident $25.00
Linda Galbraith, Stoneham resident $25.00
Darin Leahy - Open Park Program $25.00
Paul Marchant – After School Drama $25.00
Robert Sansone – Open Park Program $25.00
Martha Buckley, Stoneham resident $20.00
Theresa Dean, Stoneham resident $20.00
Stoneham Youth Basketball $15.00

FUNDRAISERS

BJ'S Membership $280.00
Town Day $520.00

Submitted by Christine DelRossi, Recreation Program Coordinator

2007 ANNUAL REPORT
RICHARD BONGIORNO, CHIEF OF POLICE

The year 2007 brought many changes to the Stoneham Police Department, especially in the area of personnel. In October, I was appointed Chief of Police after the retirement of Chief Herbert W. Moore. I wish to acknowledge the professional contribution of Chief Moore for his decades of service to the Town of Stoneham. Equally important to acknowledge were the efforts of Lieutenant Richard McCarthy who served as Acting Chief of Police for a six-month period prior to my appointment. The transition as your Chief of Police would have been tenuous as best, without the professional support and guidance of both Lieutenant Richard McCarthy and Lieutenant James McIntyre. For their efforts I am truly appreciative. The Town can be proud of the efforts of officers and supervisors during this transition period.

Throughout the spring and summer months, personnel resources of the department, especially supervisory personnel, were strained as a result of a long-term tumultuous labor strike. In spite of this challenge, adequate staffing in both the Operations Section and Support Service Section was maintained. Another area of concern was the staff reduction within our Communication Center which resulted from the resignation of a dispatcher. In November, the vacant position was filled, thereby helping to alleviate excessive overtime within the unit.

The Police Department was the recipient of a Community Policing Grant in the amount of $43,000.

During the last quarter of 2007, I completed an extensive review of Departmental policies with the goal of ensuring updated policies in line with Contemporary Policing Standards. In an effort to reduce the amount of cash held in our evidence room, a formal policy was developed and implemented. Over the past few months we have been successful in our efforts to identify the disposition of cases in order to return or otherwise legally dispose of cash as authorized under M.G.L c 35.

During this timeframe, my approach to familiarizing myself with personnel was to maintain high visibility and accessibility to staff and hold individual meetings with all law enforcement personnel. A system of establishing formalized management meetings was also implemented to create a leadership team and begin a process of developing joint goals and objectives. These management meetings have also been the catalyst to begin a planning process for reorganization that will heighten police visibility by placing more uniformed personnel on the streets while also reducing Department required overtime.

In closing, I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge the support given to the entire department and me by the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator. With this continued support, the Stoneham Police Department will move forward to expand our efforts to serve the residents, business, civic and religious communities of the Town of Stoneham.

Respectfully Submitted.

Chief Richard Bongiorno

DETECTIVE BUREAU
2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Lt. Richard McCarthy
Detective OIC

The Detective Bureau is responsible for criminal investigations both adult and juvenile, narcotic investigations, computer crime investigation and all subsequent prosecutions. The Detective Bureau also assists town residents that may require his, or her, fingerprints taken for a job application, the processing of all gun permits, and the local dissemination of all Sex Offender information.

In 2007, the Bureau included Inspector George Alger (Juvenile Officer), Inspector Edwin Peek, Inspector Joseph Denehy (Computer Crimes), Inspector Robert McKinnon, Inspector Paul Norton (Narcotics) and Inspector Thomas Marshall (Prosecutor).

CRIME STATISTICS: In keeping with our tradition of publishing statistics, the 2007 reported incidents indicate:

Arrests	214
Criminal summonses	18
Homicide	0
Sex crimes	6
Assaults	66
Robberies	6
Missing persons	25
Uttering	21
Vandalism	311
Larceny including shoplifting	316
Threats/harassment	150
Breaking and Entering/all types including attempts	187
Domestic violence/restraining order violations	183
Service and attempted service of restraining orders	149
Firearm calls	13
Summons/warrant service	193
Animal calls	129
Disturbance calls	855
Road hazard	387
Building/person checks	1014
Medical aid	1826
Motor vehicles - stolen	33
Motor vehicles – recovered	21
Motor vehicle accidents	710
Motor vehicle (all other calls)	918
Alarms (including fire)	1168

SEXUAL OFFENDERS living/working in Stoneham as of January 25, 2008:
(Sex Offender info available on line at www.mass.gov/sorb)

1 Level Three offender: risk of recidivism is high and offender information actively disseminated to public.
8 Level Two offenders: risk of recidivism is moderate and offender information available upon request.
13 Level One offenders: risk of recidivism is low and no offender information available.

DEATHS: All sudden deaths were reported to the Medical Examiner and determined to be noncriminal at this time.

NARCOTICS: Investigation of narcotics incidents continues to be an ongoing priority. Joint effort and assistance came from surrounding communities within the Southern Middlesex Regional Task Force, the Middlesex District Attorneys State Police Task Force, The Attorney Generals State Police Task Force, The United States Drug Enforcement Agency and the Internal Revenue Service. As a result of narcotic arrests made in 2007, over $9,000 in cash was seized along with two motor vehicles.

The members of the Detective Bureau continue to participate in the monthly Northeast Middlesex Law Enforcement Council Detective meetings. These meeting act as forum for the exchange of information between as many as seventy other law enforcement agencies. These agencies include not only local, state and federal agencies but private security agencies as well.

The Detective Bureau works in conjunction with Uniform Operations in conducting surveillance work for crimes such as tagging, narcotic activity, late night larcenies, shoplifting, on going disturbance complaints, drag racing, underage alcohol purchases and persons wanted on outstanding arrest warrants.

The FY 2008 goal of the Detective Bureau is to enhance its identification capability with the installation of LiveScan Fingerprinting. This technology digitizes a person's fingerprint enabling the electronic transfer of the fingerprint image to the Department of Justice and F.B.I. in a matter of seconds instead of days.

Public Safety Dispatch

The Public Safety Dispatch Department provides 24-hour civilian dispatching for the Police Department, Fire Department and contract ambulance. The department is comprised of six full-time Dispatchers, 2 part-time Dispatchers and operates from the Police Station.

During the course of the past year over 12,300 calls for service that required personnel from the Police Department, Fire Department or ambulance to respond were processed through the dispatch center. Of the 12,300 calls approximately 2,300 were received through the enhanced 9-1-1 system. This is from a total of over 4,600 calls received via 9-1-1; this total includes multiple reports of the same incidents as well as misdialed calls to 9-1-1. These calls for service do not include the numerous business or public information calls that come into the center or walk in reports to the Police Station that must also be processed by the dispatch staff.

Of the calls for service; 9,646 involved the Police Department, 3,279 involved the Fire Department and 2,516 involved the ambulance. Added to together these numbers total over 15,400 incidents, this is due to the fact that many calls for service involve a multi-agency response.

The day shift dispatched 5,016 calls for service, the evening shift dispatched 5,169 calls for service and the overnight shift dispatched 2,195 calls for service.

During the year one new dispatcher was hired to replace a dispatcher that resigned. This dispatcher is currently in training and will be fully trained to after the first of the year. Also during the year both dispatch personnel and Police personnel attend training for Legal updates for Dispatcher and Call-takers, this was funded thru a grant received from the State for 9-1-1 related training.

2007 D.A.R.E. Program
Officer Tom Cullen

Despite its reduction, the D.A.R.E. Program continues its popularity with students, parents, law enforcement and educators. I continue to receive only positive feedback from the community.

The D.A.R.E. classroom is unique. This is the class where the subject is the student. They learn about themselves. They talk about themselves. They set goals for themselves and graduate empowered. The core strength of the Stoneham D.A.R.E. program is continuous reaffirmation of the child's self esteem and individual awareness, which leads to strengthening their personal life choices.

We have three goals for the 2007-2008 school year in D.A.R.E. The first goal is to arrange with the help of the Community Policing Unit to schedule periodic lock down exercises at all public schools and if possible our private schools. Working in conjunction with the administration of the schools we hope to keep everyone up to date on what to do in case of an emergency. By doing the exercises we can provide a safe environment for the children of Stoneham.

Our second goal is to try to educate our parents about the new trends in drug abuse. Hopefully, we can have a drug awareness night sponsored by D.A.R.E. and project H.E.A.T. (Heroin Education Awareness Task Force) which is sponsored by the Woburn District Court.

Our third goal is to attend more training sponsored by the Middlesex DA's office. These training seminars are specifically set up to help DARE officers so they can pass on to their students the knowledge they need in these troubling times. These training programs deal not only with drug abuse but also a growing problem in all schools – Violence and Bullying. With this added knowledge the DARE officer may be able to head off problems before they become violent.

2007 Annual Report
Stoneham Auxiliary Police
Lieutenant James McIntyre

The Stoneham Auxiliary Police Department is volunteer organization designed to augment the Stoneham Police Department. Some of the primary responsibilities of the Auxiliary Police are to provide additional patrols of Town owned property, assist with traffic at community events, such as Town Day, Winter Wonderland at Whip Hill, road races, and offer assistance during a Town emergency. When working, Auxiliary Police Officers possess the same police powers as full time police officer. Prior to working as an Auxiliary Officer, the candidate is required to attend the Basic Reserve Police Officer Academy sponsored by the Municipal Police Training Committee, as well as annual first aid/CRP and firearms qualification sponsored by the Stoneham Police Department.

Currently, there are sixteen active members on the Auxiliary Police. The following is a list of the active members:

August Niewenhous - Chief
David Luciano – Lieutenant
George Lessard – Sergeant
Daniel Marsden – Sergeant
Kenneth Bowdidge – Patrolman
Geoffrey Buchanan – Patrolman
Maurice DiCicco – Patrolman
Donald Doucette – Patrolman
Douglas Eames – Patrolman
Michael Eastman- Patrolman
Eugenio Ianniciello - Patrolman
John Lazzaro - Patrolman
John Maguire - Patrolman
James Murphy - Patrolman
Christopher Ponzo - Patrolman
Juan Yepez - Patrolman

In the year 2007, these individuals donated in excess of 300 hours to the Town of Stoneham.

Sadly, in October, Commissioner Gerald Sullivan passed away. Gerry was a member of the Auxiliary Police for decades, as well as other civic organizations within the community and provided support, guidance and friendship to all that knew him. Gerry took exceptional pride in members of the Auxiliary Police that left his organization to pursue full-time employment in law enforcement.

Safety Officer Report
by
Officer Laurence J. Rotondi

This year I was able to maintain 15 traffic posts throughout the Town. I tip my hat to the traffic directors, these fine man and women who provide the daily safety barrier for our children. As a point of information, there is a difference between Traffic Directors and Crossing Guards, the difference being that a traffic director has extended powers including directing traffic and parking enforcement, along with crossing pedestrians.

I have worked closely with the Building Department, Fire Department, D.P.W. and Selectmen's office this year, especially on Town site plans. Basically, I review the plans which may arise as a result of new construction, especially traffic patterns spilling onto our roadways. Chief Bongiorno also assigns me to investigate safety issues and concerns received from the general public, such as speeding and parking. Our most often requested service is to monitor speeders wherein I place our speed monitor at strategic points on roadways. Many times, I also place a traffic counter that tabulates the speed and count of traffic in a specific area. Most motorists are aware of the speed monitor with its flashing lights and it does work to make them aware of their speed. However, with new technology our traffic counter is virtually invisible to drivers. This device calculates and records speed and number of cars traveling in an area. We gather this data to determine average speed of motor vehicles and any possible need for traffic signs and signals to insure the public safety.

I will continue to write my weekly newspaper column including safety tips and issues brought to my attention by residents of Stoneham. I will maintain an open door policy for any residents who have public safety concerns or suggestions to be addressed. I depend upon information from the citizens of our community to bring these issues to light.

I will also continue to conduct public tours of the police department to familiarize community groups with the daily operations. Tours include the swearing in of children as "Jr. Police officers" to encourage them to be more involved in their neighborhoods by reporting anything suspicious. Tours can be scheduled by calling the Safety Officer at 438-1215 ext 3142.

If you have any questions regarding safety, do not hesitate to contact me. I am available for you and...Remember – Think Safety.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARIAN

This is the 148th report of the Stoneham Public Library covering the calendar year 2007.

BUDGET ISSUES

The same issues existed in 2007 as in each of the last few years. The budget continues to be a concern for the Town of Stoneham and, by extension, for the library. The Town again wisely provided sufficient funding to maintain the library's mandated state certification and insure the State Aid award of monies in excess of $25,000. Unfortunately, the library and the town are faced with the same budget problems in the coming year. Again the town is facing a fiscal crisis, and again the library is in danger of losing its State Certification and $25,000+ in State Aid and possibly facing closure. The budget of FY 2008 did have repercussions which resulted in major changes in the library's operation.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

After more than five months of searching, the library welcomed a new Children's Librarian to the staff. Johanna Rapp joined the Stoneham Public Library in late May and has added a new dimension to our staff. She jumped right into the Summer Reading fray and handled it with aplomb.

Due to an insufficient budget the library was forced to lay off a vital 20 hour employee and lose six others for a prolonged period beginning July 1. We were very saddened to lose Jayne Leland who was laid off for budgetary reasons. She was a valuable member of our staff and has been sorely missed. This was during the library's busiest season, the summer. The remaining staff is to be commended for picking up the slack and maintaining services to the level they have. It has not been an easy task.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The lack of staffing also forced the Board of Trustees to make the very difficult decision to close a seven of the library's 58 open hours. This caused us to close three hours on Saturdays and four hours on Wednesday evenings. We have barely maintained our state certified status by holding our open hours to 51.

Over the last three years the library has lost 10 public service hours due to inadequate funding. This has greatly impacted our ability to serve the public to the level they expect and deserve.

PHYSICAL PLANT

We were informed this fall that the library's 75 year-old boiler needs to be replaced. We are attempting to nurse it through the winter to delay its replacement as long as possible. The Library Trustees committed this year's State Aid award, over $25,000, to the boiler's replacement. This, however, will not be enough to cover the total replacement due to the need for asbestos abatement when the boiler is removed. The Town has agreed to defray the remaining cost.

The future will require some major repair for the library. Our building has sustained some major water damage to its foundation over the last 25 years and will need major work. Wooden windows need to be replaced with a more durable material and inner walls have deteriorated badly, again due to water damage. It is hoped that the next few years will bring some much needed work to the library's infrastructure.

MATERIALS COLLECTIONS

The Library Board of Trustees worked made some difficult decisions this year in regards to the materials budget. At the sacrifice of staffing, they worked to maintain the materials budget at a level to maintain certification for our library. This has impacted every member of the library's staff as well as our ability to serve the public at full capacity.

Again this year, our citizens made use of the Interlibrary Loan service the library provides. By remaining certified, the library is able to supplement its collection by borrowing from our neighbors. Requests in 2007 remained steady with a total of 9,655 items borrowed from other libraries and sent directly to Stoneham. This valuable service will continue as long as we are open and certified. Further, in FY07 citizens of Stoneham borrowed over 31,000 items personally at our four nearest neighboring NOBLE libraries of Lynnfield, Melrose, Reading and Wakefield. This service will also continue as long as the library is open and certified.

Online databases have taken on a new importance over the last few years. The internet has offered an explosion of information, not all of which is accurate. The library offers several very useful and reliable online databases to the library's patrons. Citizens may access these research sources not only at the library but also from home if they have an active library card. Databases range from state sponsored databases available at http://www.nmrls.org/answers/dbnoble.html which includes access to 12 statewide newspapers including current and back issues of the Boston Globe, Boston Herald, Patriot Ledger to databases exclusive to the Stoneham Public Library and available at our website, www.stonehamlibrary.org. The Library's databases include Learning Express Library which offers sample tests including the SATs (plus a nine phase preparation course), ACTs, GREs, APs, Firefighter Exam, Law Enforcement Exams, Civil Service Exams, and many others, the ABC-CLIO History database, EBSCO Magazine database that offers full-text current magazines, and others.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's programming suffered a serious blow during our five months without a Children's Librarian. All programming ceased during that period and was sorely missed by parents and children alike. With the addition of Johanna Rapp to the staff in May programs rebounded for the remainder of the year. Upon her addition to the staff, Ms. Rapp immediately reinstated programs even as she completed her Masters Degree at Simmons.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Assistant Director, May Forkin continued her series of author programs, beginning with the very successful **Stoneham Reads** program, funded by a Library Services and

Technologies Act grant. A Community Reads Program works to encourage members of a community to read and discuss one book simultaneously. The grant provides funding not only for programming, but also to provide multiple copies of a particular book so that everyone in the community can obtain a copy easily. The program in Stoneham quickly became a community project involving the Stoneham Theatre, Stoneham Senior Center, and Stoneham High School. The book chosen, ***The Lost Mother*** by Mary McGarry Morris, is a depression era novel about the loss of family, home, and security and segued well with the theatre's production of ***The Grapes of Wrath*** by John Steinbeck. Mary McGarry Morris made several trips to Stoneham to discuss her novel and the period, not only with adults but also with students at the High School who had read the book as part of their course of study. The highly successful program was a wonderful opportunity for elements of the community to work together in a way that is not normally available to them.

Other authors also made a visit to Stoneham this year. Dan Shaughnessy of the Boston Globe visited the library to discuss his book, ***Senior Year*** while William Martin spoke about his latest book, ***The Lost Constitution***. Both programs were very successful.

The Library's book club continues to thrive thanks to the efforts of Maureen Saltzman. The lively discussion and differing opinions make reading a very enjoyable experience indeed.

THANK YOU

As always, the Library Board of Trustees and I would like to thank the staff of the Stoneham Public Library for its continued hard work. Every member of this staff has worked tirelessly despite staff cuts, increased workload, no contract, and lower salaries than their peers to see that the library continues to operate smoothly and efficiently. They are all to be commended for their dedication.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary P. Todd
Director

School Committee and Superintendent of Schools

The activities of the School Committee during 2006-2007 focused on the reorganization of the central administration and secondary schools. Throughout the early summer months, a search committee worked to find a replacement of Assistant Superintendent of Schools Joe Casey, who had resigned in the late spring to accept the position of Superintendent of the Melrose Public Schools. In September we were pleased to welcome Anne Patriquin to our staff as our new Assistant Superintendent for curriculum and instruction.

In July our Superintendent Dr. Joseph Connelly announced his retirement as of June 30 after nine years of outstanding service to the students and staff of Stoneham. The School Committee undertook the search process itself and organized a search committee and series of meetings to understand what our community, staff and parents were looking for in a new educational leader. In March the Committee selected Dr. Les Olson, previously Assistant Superintendent of the Westborough Public Schools, as our new superintendent. Though he did not start his official duties until July 1, Dr. Olson was visible and busy in the district throughout the spring addressing budgetary and staffing issues.

In the fall our Business Manager, Greg Zammuto, resigned to join Dr. Casey in the Melrose schools. After an extensive search we were pleased to hire Anthony DiCologero, previously in the finance office of the state Department of Education, as our new Administrator of School Finance.

The district continued to lose key administrators throughout the late spring as Dr. Tom Ryan retired as High School Principal, Christine McMenimen resigned as Middle School Principal to accept a principalship in Wilmington, Michael Lahiff resigned as Athletic Director to accept a similar position in Watertown, and Kathleen Curtis resigned as Director of Pupil Personnel Services to accept a similar position in Danvers. Search activities coordinated by Dr. Connelly and Dr. Olson through the end of June resulted in the hiring of High School Assistant Principal Edward Russo as the acting High School Principal and Middle School Assistant Principal Christopher Banos as the new Middle School Principal. Searches for their replacements and for the other vacancies continued through the summer of 2007.

Throughout the year we continued with negotiations with the Stoneham Teachers Association on a successor agreement for the previous contract that expired on June 30, 2006. The Town's financial situation hindered substantial progress in the talks, and the year ended with the union turning down a proposed agreement in late June. We did reach a new agreement with the Stoneham School Custodians that resulted in a modest pay increase and increase in employee contribution for health insurance.

The late winter and spring were dominated by budget discussions with the Town administrators in preparation for the Town Meeting. In early May an agreement was reached whereby we submitted a level-funded, zero-percent increase budget and the Selectmen agreed to place a three million dollar override question before the voters.

Town Meeting approved the override budget in May, though the question was narrowly defeated by the voters. As a result of that vote, the School Committee voted to implement its previously announced planned reduction of the following positions:

- Four proposed new Middle School teacher positions;
- Two current school custodians;
- Two elementary classroom teachers;
- One school nurse;
- Four elementary library paraeducators;
- All High School athletics and personnel, including the Director and secretary;
- Two Middle School and elementary physical education teachers;
- The Middle School librarian position;
- A High School Assistant Principal;
- Five Middle School and elementary fine arts teacher positions;
- The closing of the sixth grade wing of the Middle School, resulting in the elimination of an assistant principal and guidance counselor and the transfer of the sixth grade to the elementary.

Partially as a result of the devastating nature of these cuts, the Selectmen voted in late June to again implement a trash disposal fee, with the resulting revenue (and savings in our salary account that resulted from the resignation of over 50 teachers) allowed us to ultimately reinstate all of the proposed reductions except the two custodians and the four proposed new Middle School teachers.

In June, we honored the following individuals with the presentation of a Crystal Apple Award for their dedication and service to the children of the Stoneham Schools:

Karen Kelly – coordinator of the Middle School Jump Up and Go program
Christine McMenimen – Middle School Principal
Shirley Murray – community volunteer
Robert Lague – Fine Arts teacher and program supervisor
Michael Lahiff – Athletic Director
Michael Kennedy – Mathematics teacher and program supervisor

We also dedicated our outdoor track facilities to the following individuals in recognition of the service to the Stoneham Public Schools:

Alain Rocher
Wayne Fillback

Mr. Rocher and Mr. Fillback shared Head Coaching duties with the Stoneham Boys and Girls Track programs for over 30 years. In addition to being outstanding and dedicated coaches, Mr. Rocher and Mr. Fillback have been outstanding and dedicated teachers and mentors to many generations of Stoneham High School students.

Student Representatives to the School Committee

Each year high school students are selected by their peers to represent the views of students at all School Committee meetings. These student representatives receive all

non-confidential materials and are encouraged to state their opinions on public agenda items and reports. Although the students do not vote, their views are carefully considered by the town-elected Committee members. The resulting discussions enable the members of the Committee to understand the issues at hand from a student's perspective. In 2006-2007 that perspective included views on courses at the high school, the budget process, NEASC accreditation, and the MCAS Testing Program, as well as all sports and extracurricular activities. Representing the student body during 2006-2007 were Colin O'Brien, Shyam Subramanian, Adam Rocca, Nick Ciarlante and Nicole Willard.

Retirees

A number of staff members retired during the 2006-2007 school year. Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Joseph Connelly, retired after 9 years.

At the High School Dr. Thomas Ryan, Principal, retired after 20 years; Mr. Michael Kennedy, Program Supervisor of Math, retired after 38 years; Mr. Denis Mulvihill, teacher, retired after 34 years; and Mr. Ed Urquart, Hall Monitor, retired after 5 years.

At the Middle School, Mrs. Theresa Campbell, teacher, retired after 46 years; and Mrs. Shirley Martis, School Secretary retired after 32 years.

At the elementary level, Mrs. Nancy Sidlowski, paraprofessional, retired after 24 years; Mrs. Patty Parker, preschool teacher, retired after 19 years; Ms. Anne Dealy, Central School teacher retired after 35 years; and Mrs. Margaret Dunford, Central School teacher retired after 42 years.

We are extremely grateful for their many years of dedicated service and wish them all the best in the years ahead.

CENTRAL OFFICE

Support Services

The office of Business Management is responsible for most of the support services for the educational program and is also entrusted with managing the school budget finances and all of the property of the school district. The major support services include food service, maintenance and custodial services, and data processing.

Food Service Program

This department is responsible for providing breakfast at the High School, and lunch throughout the district, which has a population of approximately 3,000 students and staff. A full-service cafeteria is operated at the High School, and partial-service cafeterias (some cooking) are utilized at the Middle School, Central School, South School Robin Hood School, and Colonial Park School.

The food service program is operated as a revolving fund entity. Revenues generated by sales to students and staff are used to cover expenses for the program, including health insurance premiums for the cafeteria employees.

For the 2006-2007 School Year, approximately $40,000 in health insurance and facilities costs for the food service program was paid from the regular school budget. The school department is examining the possibility of outsourcing food service operations.

Systemwide Data Processing

The Data Processing Coordinator is responsible for maintaining a database used to store and report data pertaining to the scheduling of classes, grade reporting, transcripts and academic history, attendance, discipline and demographics. Much of this Student Information Management System (SIMS) is required by the state Department of Education.

Facilities and Special Services

Facilities and Special Services focuses all efforts on maintaining a safe environment for all students, staff and visitors. The goal of Special Services is to address any concerns as soon as they arise so that they do not escalate into problems.

Some completed projects of Special Services are:

- Install a two way radio system to replace Nextel resulting in $4800 savings per year on school wide communications
- Replace Master Clock at the High School for bells and repair classroom clocks.
- Replacement of the High School main electric switchgear
- Replace Front Entrance doors of High School. Refurbish Middle School Auditorium (paint, lighting and seats)
- Establish policies and procedures to track school building energy usage on a daily basis
- Building a database to program the computerized preventive maintenance system
- Investigate savings on utility costs by using Co-Generation for the High School Electrical and Heating needs, as an added benefit this will make the Town more environmentally friendly.

Goals for the current year include:

- Continue phase 3 of a 5 phase roofing program by re-roofing sections of the High School roof - this was delayed due to higher priority items.
- Implement a co-generation system for the High School, which could save up to $10,000 per year on our electric costs,
- Continue to repair drafty High School windows as budget will allow, as well as on going day-to-day repairs and maintenance.
- Find more efficient ways to clean our Schools with reduced staff.
- Re-hired two Building Custodians of the three that were laid off due to budget cuts.

Despite staffing shortages, Special Services Department has continued to work extremely hard to maintain all buildings and grounds.

Special Services will continue to effectively maintain all school building and grounds and provide a safe environment for students, staff and visitors. Our mission again this year is "To provide and maintain a healthy, safe and secure environment that is conducive to teaching and learning."

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Effective communication has been a primary goal at Central School. Parents have been informed about school events and happenings via ***Grand Central***, a bimonthly newsletter. By mid-year, we had established an email network and expanded the use of the Central School web page. Through the use of email and the internet we were able to speed communication and reduce the number of paper notices that we distribute. The ***ConnectEd*** notification system was used to efficiently notify parents of absences, to remind them of school events, and to transmit critical and correct information as needed. ***THE HUB***, a weekly staff bulletin, has improved in-house communication and made monthly staff meetings run efficiently. The Central Senate continued to be a useful forum to discuss school business, to prepare for upcoming events, and to clarify policies and procedures. Through the PTO, the United Council, and the Site Council, parents were provided with opportunities to discuss their interests, needs, and concerns. A parent information night was held in March 2007 to discuss MCAS results and to learn how these results have been used at Central School to improve instruction.

Parent involvement at Central School has been terrific. Parents volunteer in classrooms and in the library. They serve as guest readers and helping hands for special projects. The Central School PTO provides many opportunities for parent investment of time, energy, and resources. The PTO sponsored field trips for each grade level and provided cultural enrichment opportunities for the whole school. In each event, there was a direct connection to curriculum. The PTO also provided both free and low cost events for families to enjoy including a Halloween party, an ice cream social, Bingo nights, and story tellers. Central School is proud of its tradition of enthusiastic parent involvement.

In order to provide a safe and secure environment at Central School, the Stoneham Police Department stationed a speed sensor in the driveway for three weeks in October to help make drivers aware of their speed. Vandalism continues to be a concern with graffiti and broken windows becoming common occurrences.

Central School has a local business partnership with StonehamBank. In addition to serving on the Site Council, bank employees have served as guest readers in classrooms. StonehamBank funded the Homework Club, an after school activity for third, fourth and fifth grade students for three eight week sessions during the fall, winter, and spring terms. This partnership between Central School and StonehamBank has been quite beneficial to our students.

Academic performance is a concern as the cumulative effects of the under funded school budget is taking its toll. The lack of sufficient reading support services in grades K-5 limits our progress in all curriculum areas. There is a need to purchase up-to-date curriculum materials, particularly in mathematics. Reduction in art and music programs means that we are less able to educate the whole child. Students, parents, and teachers are working hard to foster a positive and productive learning environment in spite of the diminished resources.

Students are able to access technology in the classrooms and in the computer lab. Professional development during the school year and summer provided individuals and groups of teachers with opportunities to learn how to better use technology. Other teachers have had opportunities to learn how to better differentiate instruction and

interpret and use DIBELS scores more effectively. Early dismissal days allowed the whole staff time to review the Crisis Plan, discuss MCAS scores, and analyze curriculum needs. Analysis of MCAS results helps us target instruction in the development of specific skills in each of the curriculum areas of science, reading, writing, and mathematics.

In 2007, four stalwart teachers retired: Miss Ann Dealy, Miss Margaret Dunford, Mrs. Deborah Pavelle and Mrs. Nancy Kaftan combined for more than a century of service and dedication to the children of Stoneham. The 2007-2008 school year began in September with 355 students enrolled at Central School. Seventeen faculty members were either new to the school or in new jobs. This is a changeover of approximately 30% of the teaching staff. In spite of this significant change in personnel, the year has begun on a positive note. The level of expertise and professionalism of the faculty and support staff is noteworthy. This is a school dedicated to helping children learn in a safe and supportive environment.

COLONIAL PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Colonial Park School housed approximately three hundred twenty five students from Preschool through Fifth Grade in 2007. Of the fifteen classrooms at Colonial Park, two classrooms are dedicated for multiple sessions of Preschool, and the remaining thirteen rooms are busy learning environments for the Kindergarten through Fifth Grade population. Music, Art, and Science classes are held in the Science Lab which serves as a multi purpose room for the building. In addition, students attend weekly classes in the computer lab, gym, and library media center. Special events and programs from plays to enrichments are held on the stage which can be accessed from both the gym and the cafeteria.

The Colonial Park After School Program is very well attended and students use all building areas to participate in the diverse activities offered throughout the afternoon. Colonial Park School also is a meeting place for Girl Scouts, Daisies, and Boy Scout programs, and the gym is in use weekly by sports programs. Parent groups meet at the school to plan activities and events. Colonial Park School is a state of the art facility that is a valuable asset to the Town of Stoneham.

During 2007, the students and staff at Colonial Park expanded the focus of the Bullying Program to include special events such as No Name Calling Week. The school community continued a program that began in 2005 to identify and encourage appropriate behaviors that demonstrate respect for self and others, cooperation, and teamwork.

In conjunction with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Colonial Park families participated in Walk to School Day in the Fall and Walk to School Week in the Spring. Parents were also trained to present a special Grade 2 Safety Program that included a walk through the neighborhood to learn about neighborhood and street safety practices.

The staff at Colonial Park School continued to focus professional development in the areas of literacy, special education, instruction strategies, and science content. Teachers worked with the Assistant Superintendent to map K-5 Social Studies topics and

committees were formed to address needs in the areas of Math and Language Arts. Kindergarten through second grade staff met with consultants and literacy experts to develop literacy teams and improve and expand strategies for Reading instruction.

The news in 2007 included several incidents involving crisis situations across the country both in and around schools. In response, during an early release day, the administration and staff at Colonial Park conducted an emergency response activity to practice executing the building Crisis Plan. After the activity, the entire staff met to discuss the event.

At Colonial Park School, teachers, parents, and community members come together to educate students. The PTO sponsors educational enrichments for all students throughout the year including motivational speakers, and dramatic historical presentations. This year, Beethoven visited Colonial Park, parents sponsored a Build-A-Book night, and Jedli the Clown spoke about friendship and respect. An eight week Read-A-Thon included daily information about the theme, STONEHAM FROM A-Z. Students read over 2000 books and the children were delighted with visits from a poet, an author, and an illustrator. The PTO also sponsored Bingo, Pizza, Ice Cream and Holiday parties.

The Outdoor Classroom project continued with spring planting at all levels and families weeded the school grounds. Scout groups planted flowers and created seasonal displays for the entrance to the school. The school recycling program expanded to include plastic collection.

The entire school community participated in community service projects to provide food for a local food pantry, funds for the Jimmy Fund, a Math-A-Thon for the St Jude Research Hospital and holiday gifts for families at Casa Myrna Shelter. Grade three students also donated school supplies to a reservation school in the Black Hills of North Dakota.

By years end, a group of fifth grade students had designed, written, and published a new Colonial Park Newsletter which is displayed and distributed at school.

The Colonial Park community is grateful for the support of families who share their time and expertise. This school provides a safe, supportive learning environment where students are encouraged to strive for excellence in a school community composed of caring, dedicated educators and support staff who work with families to see that no child is left behind.

ROBIN HOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Robin Hood staff and parents worked all year to offer students optimum success and growth in their educational setting. Our school community is made up of a group of very dedicated and hard-working people. Our regular educational staff, special education staff, paraprofessionals, cafeteria workers, custodians, and the front office personnel work together to provide a safe, supportive learning environment for all of our students.

Total enrollment is now 314 students. We continue to house three special education integrated programs at the primary level, a program for hearing impaired students, and sixteen K-5 classes. In addition to the academic curriculum at each grade level, students

participate in music or art, physical education, library, and computer lab. Students in grades 4-5 also receive Italian class bi-weekly, which is funded through a grant.

Robin Hood School Council has continued to work tirelessly on behalf of our school, our students, and our district. Monthly meetings were held to implement and develop our School Improvement Plan. An Information forum for parents was conducted on MCAS results and how to help your child succeed. The school council developed a comprehensive School Improvement Plan which is currently being implemented. Our mission continues to develop students who:

- are creative, critical, and independent thinkers
- have respect and tolerance for self and others
- know and apply communication and computation skills
- are healthy and responsible contributors to society

Robin Hood School continues to pride itself in the academic performance of all students. We are required to issue an annual "report card". This "report card" gives us information regarding teacher qualifications, school achievement, and school performance ratings. Robin Hood School has met with success in these areas and we continue to make adequate yearly progress according to the standards set forth by the state. We have continued our practice of analyzing MCAS scores and adjusting our curriculum accordingly. Each year an MCAS Action Plan is written and implemented by the staff. Our students have continued to perform well in all MCAS assessments and consistently perform above the state and district average. Robin Hood School staff continues to implement successful teaching strategies that enhance students' academic performance.

Professional development continues to be a priority of the staff at Robin Hood School. In addition to working towards their own recertification, staff have participated in numerous courses, workshops, and conferences throughout the year. Robin Hood teachers have worked diligently preparing our students for statewide assessments. The staff is to be commended for holding high standards for all students and helping each and every student achieve.

Parental involvement continues to be strong at Robin Hood. Throughout the school year many parent volunteers assisted in the building most school days. Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has funded several field trips and has sponsored several enrichment programs at the school. These include studying fossils, electricity, insects, owls, mapping, tide pools, balls and ramps, the history of Stoneham, techsploration, Native American perspective and a star lab presentation. Our PTO also sponsored several student/family activity nights, including Back to School Picnic, Halloween Party, Munch With Santa, and a Bingo Night.

Our annual Read-a-Thon is also sponsored by our PTO. The theme for the 2007 Read-a-Thon was Diversity. In addition to our students meeting their reading goals we had three school-wide presentations from outside guests. Children's author Norah Dooley visited, read, told stories, and instructed writing workshops. Performers Roger Tincknell and Tony DeBlois each put on a school concert during the year.

We sincerely appreciate the hard work of all our parents, their fundraising efforts, and their strong commitment to public education in Stoneham.

South Elementary School

Despite our town-wide budget crunch and reductions to our programs, South School continues to focus on key elements of educating youngsters in meaningful ways. Each element is an example of how Stoneham as a district and South in particular, works with our parents and community to meet the needs of our children and their families.

Our tuition based Full Day Kindergarten Program continues to be a success. This year we have 16 children enrolled for a full day schedule, with Music or Art, Library and P.E. The longer day has provided children with greater opportunities for more in depth activities and better coverage of the curriculum. Our After-School Program at South continues to do well. This program has provided kids a great place to finish their homework, play games, and do fun activities.

Our Stop & Shop Homework Help Program completed its fourth year. Our business partner, The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company, was able to fully fund our Homework Help Program this year with a very generous donation of $4320. This program, a major goal of our School Improvement Plan, serves to lengthen the school day for a number of our students, and give them help on their homework. More students are able to complete their homework and are doing better with their grades as well.

This year marked the school's entrance into the Open Circle Social Competency Curriculum in Grades 2-5. This program, in conjunction with the Stone Center from Wellesley College, provides teachers and staff with training in how to implement the Open Circle curriculum in each classroom twice weekly throughout the school year. The program has been so successful that we are proceeding with plans to expand the program into Grade One next year. We offered our second year of Open Circle Parent Training as well.

Our PTO Mini Grants Program continues to attract attention. This program seeks to encourage teachers and staff to plan for events and activities that go "above and beyond" the normal school curriculum and school day. We also had our Author's Night in April. This year we continued to have our Third and Fifth Grade Math Nights that have been so popular.

Our PTO and School Site Council continue to be tremendously positive forces that contribute to the overall climate of South. We offered a full range of school wide activities, such as Holiday Breakfast, Halloween Party, Back-to-School Picnic, and Bingo and Pasta Nights. Our Community Outreach effort expanded this year to include a tremendously successful Thanksgiving food drive and "Giving Tree", which provided local families with toys and clothing for their children. Our annual Anton Cleaners "Coats for Kids" program was wildly successful, as South School won second place in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thus earning a school wide pizza party. South School also raised over $3000 through the NSTAR Lightbulb Fundraiser. Our PTO consistently provides students with enrichment opportunities through in-school visits and performances, as well as educationally sound field trips. The school also continued to offer a full Junior Achievement curriculum, in conjunction with our PTO.

Our school wide charity drive this year focused on the Hats-on-Day program, which supports children going through cancer treatments, and their families. Every Monday, students were allowed to wear a hat throughout the school day in support of a kindergartener at South who wore a hat every day while undergoing chemotherapy. Students would pay a small amount of change each Hats-on-Day. The school collected over $600 for the program.

This year, South School also maintained a relationship with the MassRides' Safe Routes to School Program, where children are now encouraged to either walk or carpool to and from South School to earn credits towards prizes. This program has helped to reduce the number of vehicles on school grounds during arrival and dismissal times, thus increasing safety for all.

South School continues in its mission to educate its children in the most complete ways possible. Staff and parents consistently work together to reach our goals. We are fortunate to have so many of these special opportunities to enrich and support the academic and social lives of our children. We will look for ways to continue to do so.

STONEHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

Stoneham Middle School is made up of grades 6, 7 and 8. As of October 2006, the student population of 641 breaks down as follows: 217 students in grade six, 208 students in grade seven and 216 students in grade eight. The schedule at the Middle School engages students in more than 900 hours of time-on-learning. Core academic offerings include: English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies. Students participate in physical education, art, music, world languages (French, Spanish or Italian), reading/ study skills and math enrichment. Additionally, Stoneham Middle School offers chorus and band to its students during its Activity Block which meets every Day Two of its six day cycle. Students who do not choose to participate in these offerings take part in sustained silent reading.

In the spring of 2007 students participated in MCAS testing in the areas of English Language Arts, math, science and technology/engineering, and history and social science. Successfully preparing students for MCAS is an on-going commitment throughout the academic year. This is realized through the combined efforts of administration, department supervisors, and faculty who ensure that the curriculum and lessons for their subject areas fully encompass the Massachusetts State Frameworks. In September, our grade six students participated in the Iowa Survey Battery testing. Students were tested in the areas of reading, language, and mathematics. A number of our students scored at or above the 95th percentile in this nationally-normed standardized test and are therefore eligible to participate in the annual Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth search.

In light of the unique needs of the middle level student, and in keeping with our mission to educate each student intellectually, socially, and emotionally, the Middle School strives to create a structure of opportunities for learning that nourish the strengths of each student. Due to the budget cuts that forced the elimination of teams, as well as the elimination of many exploratory subjects previously offered, the Middle School confronts

these challenges with the assistance of its parents and the community to foster and sustain a broad based educational experience for all students.

Stoneham Middle School's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) actively works with community businesses and organizations such as REMAX, Stoneham Kiwanis, IRA Nissan, Stop & Shop, and The Community Policing Unit to restore and maintain extra-curricular programs for its students. As a result of the help from these sponsors, students at the Middle School have the opportunity to participate in Math Team, Student Council, Homework Club and Junior Great Books Club. In addition, through its fundraising efforts and grants from the Stoneham Cultural Council and the Stoneham Business and Community Educational Foundation, the PTO Enrichment Committee provides in-school programs that serve to enhance curriculum objectives beyond the classroom. For example, students experience such programs as Pyramids and Pharaohs with Paulette Morin, David Zucker's Poetry in Motion, and the annual visit from distinguished author Yoko Watkins. Made in the Shade: Jazz: America's Music From New Orleans to New York by Young Audiences, is a jazz ensemble that presents to the middle school's entire student body in January.

The *Jump Up and Go!* Program has become an integral part of our school culture. *Jump Up and Go!* (JUG) is an award winning, nationally recognized multi-dimensional health and wellness initiative designed to help children, their families and their communities become more physically active and develop lifelong healthy habits and behaviors. Additionally, 13 staff members will take part in the Planet Health training session in February. Planet Health is the interdisciplinary curriculum component of the JUG program and includes the major disciplines of math, science, social studies, and language arts.

In October, the Stoneham Middle School PTO was presented with the "Hall of Fame" award for continuing its "Best in Class" program. This award, in the amount of $1,000 recognized the PTO for maintaining a high level of JUG programming to students throughout the school year. Also, JUG received its final grant installment of $1,000 and the Stoneham Public Schools Foundation ear-marked an anonymous $2,500 donation to the program. The program has provided students with many after-school activities. The walking club, yoga, cooking club, dodge ball, and JUG TV are just a few of the tremendous opportunities that have been offered to students.

The Middle School boasts a community of involved learners, parents and staff who respond unselfishly to the needs of their school and their town. The second annual Community Service Weekend sponsored by the PTO and JUG took place over the May 18th weekend where student teams helped to clean up different areas of town. Capone Landscaping continues to adopt our school front with clean ups and plantings in the spring and fall.

Community Outreach, a committee within the PTO, involves students in donating to the needy families within our community. The generosity of our students and their families is very much appreciated, especially during the holiday season.

The Middle School strives to provide quality instruction and to create multiple learning opportunities where students of diverse learning styles and abilities can be successful.

Fine Arts

Carol Miller and Nancy Dapkiewicz are the Art Staff at the Middle School. David Parry and Edmund Grammer are the music staff at the Middle School. The Massachusetts Arts Curriculum Framework continues to be used by teachers in planning their classes.

Art

- Art students continue to exhibit student works in the hallways of the Middle School. Art is created in a variety of media, including drawing, painting, printmaking, paper-mache, and ceramics.
- Middle School students participated in the Art in Our Schools Month Exhibit at the Stoneham Library.
- Ms. Carol Miller took a course at the NEC entitled *The Effects of Popular Culture on Adolescent Cognitive and Social Development*. She was also a Supervising Practitioner for two students from Leslie College who were fulfilling 75 hours of Early Field Experience.

Music

- The Music Staff is continuing an instrumental program after school and during a short ABC period once every six days. Mr. Parry has begun a School Chorus during that period.

STONEHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Introduction

Stoneham High School's October 1, 2006 enrollment was 867 in grades 9-12. This is a student decrease of 44 from 2005.

For the 2006-2007 school year, Stoneham High School welcomed Christopher Aprile to the Special Education department; Angela Billings to the Mathematics department; Zac Clarry to the Social Studies department; Ron DiBona to the English department; Michelle Doyle to the Science department; Paula Simpson to the Physical Education department; and Rich Trakimas to the Alternative Education class.

Due to budget constraints, Stoneham High School continues to experience an enrollment of 30+ students in more than 40 individual classes. In addition, the activity fee for athletics continues to be $250 per student per sport, with a $1,000 family cap.

99% of the graduating class met the MCAS requirements for graduation. We continue to offer MCAS Prep courses to help all students pass the MCAS test.
Specific departmental reports outline other projects and achievements at Stoneham High School during 2006.

Unified Arts Department

Brenda Tutko, Business Education Teacher, and Chamber of Commerce director Sharon Iovanni hosted the annual Job Fair at the High School in March.

One Stop Cookie Shop, a student run company produced and marketed cookies raising over $1000 to purchase holiday gifts for local needy children and families.

Forty-five student, from Deborah Deacon's Marketing classes qualified and competed in the district DECA competition held last January. Fifteen students then qualified for the state competition. Three students attended the National Competition.

English

Ninety-seven percent of Stoneham High School students passed the 10th grade English MCAS. Eighty-five percent performed at an advanced or proficient level. The State rated Stoneham's performance in Language Arts as *High* with our improvement rating *On Target.*

Thirteen students took the Advanced Placement test in English. Ten students received the highest two scores of **4-***Well Qualified* or **5-** *Extremely Well Qualified.*

Curriculum guides were updated for ninth grade English I and twelfth grade Advanced Placement/Honors English. Teachers also updated the syllabus for the twelfth grade Advanced Placement course in *English Literature and Composition* to satisfy the requirements for the College Board audit.

Professional development experiences for secondary teachers included training sessions in the use of the Prentice Hall Literature series, Advanced Placement Teaching Institutes, What's New in Young Adult Literature, and workshops focusing on the implementation of the *6 Trait Writing Program.*

Mathematics

Twenty two students took the Calculus AB Advanced Placement test. Thirteen students scored a three or better.

Three new teachers were hired at the High School to replace resignations.

New curriculum guides were completed in Geometry and A.P. Calculus.

Science

New textbooks were purchased for Honors Earth Science.

The MWRA visited all Biology classes again this year and culminates with a field trip to Dear Island.

New curriculum guides have been written for Physical Science, Biology, Earth Science, and Anatomy and Physiology.

Our Physics and Chemistry instructors are involved in a Science and Engineering program on Saturday morning at U. Mass. Amherst.

The A.P. curriculum and instructors were certified to teach the Advanced Placement courses in Biology and Physics.

12 of the 15 students taking the Physics Advanced Placement exam and 16 of the 22 students taking the Environmental Advanced Placement exam received a 3 or better.

Social Studies

During the past year, teachers in grades six through eleven continued developing lesson aligned with the *Massachusetts History and Social Science Framework* document.

Two hundred and fifty four students participated in the National History Day competition at the second annual Stoneham High School history fair. Twenty one of our local winners moved on to compete at the regional History Day competition in Winchester.

Professional Development experiences for secondary social studies teachers included coursework and workshops offered through: Research for Better Teaching, The Massachusetts Economic Council, Primary Source, Massachusetts Historical Society , Facing History and Ourselves, The Kennedy Library and many local state and private colleges.

Twenty six students took the United States History AP exam and fifteen earned a score of 3 or better.

Sixty two seniors participated in the community service program, working as classroom aides, raising money for local and national charities, and donating their time to various community initiatives.

World Language

4 students took the Advanced Placement test in Spanish. One student received a 5 and three students received a 4.

8 students took the French AP exam and one student received a 4, two students received a 3, four students received a 2, and one students received a 1

Italian AP was offered for the second time nationally and we had 8 students take the exam. One student received a four, two students received a 3, three students received a 2, and two students received a 1. One student received a 2 and eight students received a 1.

1 student took the Advanced Placement test in German and received a 4.

58 students took the National Latin Exam and 34 received awards in Latin 1:

Gold	8
Silver	13
Magna cum laude	7
Cum laude	6

Students traveled to New York City in March for a 2 day cultural/language immersion. They went to the Repertorio Espanol and saw a Spanish language play, toured the museum of modern art and dined at a Venezuelan restaurant.

The French, Italian, and Spanish AP teachers wrote a course syllabus for the AP audit.

Fine Arts

The Fine Arts Department has offered a wide variety of activities for students in Art, Drama, and Music. Fine Arts educators have been involved in workshops, exhibits, conferences and courses throughout the year.

Diane Pierce, Danielle Catalano and Jessica Swegel are Art teachers at Stoneham High. Nancy Dapkiewicz splits her time between the High School and the Middle School. Edmund Grammer directs the Band and Jazz Ensemble and Robert Lague directs the Chorale and Chamber Chorus. Mr. Lague is also the acting Program Supervisor.

Danielle Catalano has been in charge of student productions. Mr. Jason Eppskrier has now taken over those duties. Jessica Swegel is the Assistand Director. The Drama Club prepares three productions a year. One is a straight drama production, one is the Globe Drama Fest one-act play, and the third is the school musical.

The Music Parents Organization continues to help the Stoneham Music Performing Groups to operate. The Co-Presidents are Ms. Lauren Murphy and Ms. Laura Myers.

Music

- The Spartan Band performed at football games, winter and spring concerts, and Carnival Ball.
- The Spartan Chorale performed winter and spring concerts and holiday assemblies at the elementary schools and Carnival Ball.
- The Spartan Band and Spartan Chorale performed at Epcot Center on a Disney Concert Tour in Orlando this past April. This year they will go on a tour of Broadway.
- Mr. Lague is the "Official Organist" for the National Education Association Representative Assembly (Philadelphia, PA), and the Massachusetts Teachers Association Convention (Boston). Mr. Lague received the "Crystal Apple" from the School Committee this year.
- Mr. Grammer is starting his 7th semester as Director of the Bentley Jazz Band. He is also the Manager for the MMEA ND Jazz Ensemble.
- SHS continues membership in the Tri-M National Music Honor Society.
- MMEA District Festival participants were Kevin Price, Emily DiPietro, and Erica Gould.

Drama

- The Spring musical was *Into the Woods*, presented by the High School Drama Club under the direction of Ms. Danielle Catalano.
- The Fall Play, directed by Mr. Eppskrier was *Arsenic and Old Lace*
- The Globe Drama Competition play from Stoneham will be *The Importance of Being Earnest.*

Art

- Two students from SHS received Honorable Mention from the Scholastic Art Awards sponsored by the Boston Globe. Janyce McKenzie was recognized for a photo and Karyn Ludwig was recognized for a ceramic piece.
- Jay Lecesse won first place for his illustration in the Massachusetts Duck Stamp Competition sponsored by the U.S. Wildlife Services.
- Diane Pierce is on the staff of the Northeast Consortium teaching Art Methods, Materials, and Techniques for Artistic Behavior in the Classroom. She also was a judge for the RI Scholastic Art Awards.
- Each year, the elementary students are entertained at a holiday assembly put on by the SHS Spartan Chorale.
- Elementary Music Lessons are being continued after school starting with the 4th grade this year.

Guidance Department

The mission of the Stoneham High Guidance Department is to work with students, faculty and families to promote learning, goal setting and the development of personal, social and civic responsibility in accord with the school and district goals. We believe that all students can be successful learners and should be aided in the development of a realistic future plan through career and college exploration and self-evaluation.

The goal of the Guidance Department is to assist each student in developing the academic, civic and social skills necessary to be healthy, responsible contributors to society. The major functions of the Guidance Department are educational, personal, college and career counseling, and group testing. The Guidance Department also oversees a Peer Mediation program

SYSTEMWIDE TESTING RESULTS

Students in grade two were administered the Iowa Reading Test. They scored above grade level in all areas.

Iowa Test of Basic Skills – 2007 Results

GRADE 2	VOCAB	COMP	WORD ANALYSIS	LISTENING	SPELLING	TOTAL
Test Date/ Grade Level	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Actual G.E.	3.6	3.7	4.0	3.3	3.2	3.4
Difference	+.7	+.8	+1.1	+.4	+.3	+.5

The Iowa Test was not administered to Grade 5 students in 2007. Instead an IOWA Survey Battery of Language and Math skills was given in September 2007 to the 6th grade at the Middle School.

Tenth and Eleventh graders were offered career interest inventories and began the college exploration process through the Naviance program in the spring. All 11th graders planning to attend college were encouraged to take the PSAT test in October. The College Entrance Examination Board Test is given to interested high school students at Stoneham High four times each year. Of the 223 members of the Class of 2007, 198 (89%) took an SAT test. Stoneham Students scored about the same as the national average on the SAT, but lower than the state in all areas tested. Critical Reading (-8), Math (-12) and Writing (-15) 89% of the Class of 2007 took an SAT compared to 85% of the state and 48% of the nation.

The results of the Scholastic Aptitude Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board taken by 89% of Stoneham High School students in the class of 2007 were:

RANGE	CRITICAL READING	MATHEMATICAL	WRITING
750 -- 800	0	2	2
700 -- 749	9	10	3
650 -- 699	9	19	10
600 -- 649	14	13	17
550 -- 599	37	20	18
500 -- 549	30	34	43
450 -- 499	41	36	48
400 -- 449	34	39	33
350 -- 399	14	20	16
300 -- 349	9	4	5
250 -- 299	0	1	2
200 -- 249	1	0	1

Scholastic Aptitude Test Scores – Class of 2007

	STONEHAM	MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL
CRITICAL READING	505	513	502
MATHEMATICS	510	522	515
WRITING	496	511	494

The Massachusetts Board of Education mandated state tests (MCAS) were administered to students in grades 3 through 10. Students in grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 took the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System tests (MCAS) in Spring 2007. Grade 3 students took Math and Reading tests. The results were as follows: (Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.)

	READING		MATHEMATICS	
	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State
	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3
Above Proficient	11%	14%	16%	19%
Proficient	44%	40%	38%	41%
Needs Imp.	37%	32%	28%	24%
Warning	7%	9%	18%	16%

	ENGLISH		MATHEMATICS		SCIENCE & TECH	
	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State
	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4
Advanced	6%	10%	20%	19%		
Proficient	51%	46%	37%	29%		
Needs Imp.	33%	34%	32%	39%		
Warning	10%	10%	11%	13%		

	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5
Advanced	16%	15%	16%	19%	13%	14%
Proficient	51%	48%	30%	32%	41%	37%
Needs Imp.	27%	28%	37%	31%	40%	37%
Warning	5%	9%	16%	18%	6%	12%

	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6
Advanced	9%	9%	10%	20%		
Proficient	63%	58%	33%	32%		
Needs Imp.	21%	25%	38%	28%		
Warning	7%	7%	19%	20%		

	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7
Advanced	12%	9%	16%	15%		
Proficient	63%	60%	34%	31%		
Needs Imp.	17%	23%	27%	30%		
Warning	7%	8%	23%	24%		

	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8
Advanced	27%	12%	16%	17%	3%	3%
Proficient	61%	63%	35%	28%	37%	30%
Needs Imp.	8%	18%	32%	30%	44%	44%
Warning	4%	6%	17%	25%	16%	24%

	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10
Advanced	25%	22%	44%	42%		
Proficient	58%	49%	35%	27%		
Needs Imp.	12%	24%	15%	22%		
Failing	5%	6%	6%	9%		

MCAS 2007 – Summary

Below is an overview of the 2007 MCAS tests for Stoneham students. The goal is to have all students achieving at the Proficient and Advanced levels. All scores are reported for the Stoneham School District and include students in out-of-districts placements.

- Grade 3 Reading - There was a drop in the number of students scoring at the Proficient and Advanced levels and 6% more earning Needs Improvement.
- Grade 3 Math – 6% more of the students were at the Warning level
- Grade 4 English – 3% more scored Proficient and Advanced but 4 % more were in the Warning category.
- Grade 4 Math - 22% more students scored in the Proficient and Advanced categories.
- Grade 5 English - 8% more students scored at the Proficient and Advanced levels

- Grade 5 Math – 7% more students scored at the Proficient and Advanced levels and 3% fewer at the Warning level.
- Grade 5 Science – scores remained consistent with previous tests.
- Grade 6 English – 6% more sixth graders scored at the Proficient and Advanced levels moving from Needs Improvement
- Grade 6 Math – There was a slight decline in the Proficient and Advanced levels but 8% fewer students were at the Warning level.
- Grade 7 English – The results were comparable to last year with 75% at the Proficient and Advanced levels and only 7% at Warning.
- Grade 7 Math – Although 5% more students scored Proficient and Advanced, 3% more earned a score at the Warning Level.
- Grade 8 English – 88% of students earned scores of Proficient and Advanced which is 5% higher than last year.
- Grade 8 Math – While 7% more 8th graders earned scores of Proficient and Advanced, 3% more were at the Warning level.
- Grade 8 Science – 11% more students earned scores of Proficient or Advanced and 4% fewer were at the Warning level.
- Grade 10 English – Students scoring at Proficient and Advanced remained consistent
- Grade 10 Math – 5% more 10th graders earned a score of Proficient or Advanced.

AP Testing Program

Below are the results of the 2007 AP Testing Program for SHS students.

In 2007, 71 students, including 28 juniors, took one or more AP tests. In all 122 tests were administered. The 42 seniors who took AP tests represent 19% of the class of 2007.

Over half the students taking Calculus, Environmental Science, English Lit/Comp, Physics, Spanish and U.S. History earned scores of 3, 4 or 5.

SUBJECT	*5*	*4*	*3*	*2*	*1*	*TOTAL TESTS*	*% SCORING 3-4-5*	*GLOBAL GROUP*
Calculus AB	1	3	9	3	6	22	59	59
Chemistry	0	1	0	0	1	2		
English Lit/Comp	1	9	1	2	0	13	85	61
Environmental Science	4	5	7	6	2	24	67	51
French	0	1	2	4	1	8	38	59
**German	0	1	0	0	0	1		
Italian	0	1	2	3	2	8	38	51
Physics B	1	1	10	1	1	14	86	59
Spanish	1	3	0	0	0	4	100	65
U.S. History	1	5	9	10	1	26	58	54
Total in each Category	9	30	40	29	14	122		

* Boston University Course
** Native Speaker

The Guidance Department's mission encompasses much more than testing. Counselors present classroom lessons to students in grades 9 – 12 on transition, graduation requirements, understanding their transcripts, scheduling and future planning. Evening programs are held for students and their parents in 8th, 11th and 12th grades. These evening meetings cover transition to the high school, future planning, the college application process and financial aid. The guidance staff, teachers and administrators function as an effective team assisting students in post-secondary planning. The follow-up report of the future plans of the members of the Class of 2007 is shown below:

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES	70.0%
TWO-YEAR REGIONALLY ACCREDITED COLLEGES	17.0%
OTHER SCHOOLS	7.0%
SERVICE	<1.0%
EMPLOYED	6.0%
TOTAL	100.0%

K-12 School Technology Services FY 2007

A system-wide web page resides online at www.stonehamschools.net. This is a work in progress developed and updated by schools and departments. Our technology web page hosts video- on-demand programs for playback on the web and other technology related information.

Very little new equipment was purchased. We did receive thirty used Pentium 4 computers from a local health care firm and some used furniture for our High School labs. We created a new research lab at the High School with the donated computers and furniture.

Technology Services provided one online professional development training course for teachers in technology integration. Our EDTV teacher training program was not funded in 2007 due to budget cuts and is on hold.

High School football became our first video on demand programming for online viewing of school video events. It is our hope to put teacher produced narrated PowerPoint lessons onto the server for on demand replay to reinforce classroom lessons.

Many of our school computers are getting on in years. Upgrade and/or replacement of computer systems for administration, students and staff remain a concern. Technology staffing remains at the same level despite additional repairs of old equipment and the addition of donated computers requiring rebuild and upgrades.

Special Education

The primary responsibilities of the Special Education Department include: (1) evaluating and assessing referred children to determine if they meet the criteria for special education services, (2) developing individualized educational plans (IEP's) to meet students' identified needs, (3) providing special education services as indicated through the students' IEP's, and, (4) periodic re-evaluation and review of student progress.

Specialized education is provided to students who are determined to have one of the following areas of disability, and whose disability is significantly impacting their ability to make effective progress in school:

Autism, Developmental Delay, Intellectual Impairment, Sensory Impairment (Hearing, Vision and/or Deaf-Blind),
Neurological Impairment, Emotional Impairment, Communication Impairment, Physical Impairment,
Health Impairment, and Specific Learning Disability

The Special Education Department adheres to the rules and policies as determined by state (Chapter 766) and federal (IDEA) laws governing the education of students with special education needs. Under these laws, schools are mandated to provide services required to assist eligible children between the ages of three and twenty-two in receiving a free, appropriate public education in the least restrictive educational environment. In addition, early screening and evaluation procedures to determine eligibility for services can occur as early as two and a half years of age.

Regular education and special education personnel continue to collaborate through building-based Child Study or Teacher Assistance Teams. This process, under the direction of building Principals, can lead to modifications and accommodations of students' educational programs without the need for a referral to special education. Child Study Teams examine concerns regarding student performance, strategies which have been implemented to date and make suggestions for further strategies which could be implemented by regular education personnel. Special educators can be actively involved in the process including conducting structured observations of typical areas of difficulty and consulting with regular education staff.

Stoneham Public Schools offers a continuum of special education services along the least restrictive environment principle. According to this guiding principle, attempts are made to maintain students as much as possible in regular education activities with supports before other options are considered. Special education personnel will often provide individualized assistance to students within their regular education classrooms as well as providing specialized instruction outside of the classroom.

Another variation of this principle is provided through co-taught classrooms, where regular and special education teachers collaborate on group activities for the entire classroom. Such classrooms are typically assigned a cluster of special education students with constant academic support needs. This model enables supports to be provided in a normalizing social and academic context which minimizes stigmatization of the special education students. It also enables staff to provide differentiated instruction to students with a range of academic skills. The collaborative efforts of regular and special educational teaching staff offer complementary skills to meeting the needs of their students.

In addition to special education teaching staff, related support service personnel also provide assistance to students both within regular classroom settings as well as outside of classrooms. Such specialists include the areas of speech and language, hearing, vision, physical and occupational therapies and adaptive physical education. All personnel work within an interdisciplinary approach to maximize effectiveness in accomplishing

identified goals and objectives. Such an approach requires consultation among staff and participating in common planning activities.

Stoneham Public Schools also operates more specialized program models. These models typically serve children with intensive disabilities and support needs. Irrespective of a child's profile, efforts are occurring constantly to identify opportunities for inclusion in activities with regular education students. Such opportunities vary for each child based on their ability to meet expectations in group routines with adult supports that are provided.

The full continuum of special education services is also available to prekindergarten children beginning at 3 years of age. The Stoneham school district engages in proactive child find screening and evaluation activities to identify children who can exhibit an educational disability at an early age. Personnel work closely with early intervention service providers to accomplish a smooth transition of services at 3 years of age.

During the 2006-07 academic year, Stoneham Public Schools has maintained memberships with the SEEM and Merrimack Education Collaboratives. These organizations are partnerships among a group of communities to provide cost-effective programs for low incidence student populations who typically present with the most intensive support needs. The Collaboratives also provide specialized contractual services to support Stoneham within-district programs as well as ongoing professional development activities. The Special Education Department continually evaluates its program models in an effort to plan and implement programs which best meets the needs of its special education student population.

A child count is conducted for federal reporting requirements on October 1st of each year. On October 1st, 2006, the Stoneham school district identified 532 students receiving special education support services. This total includes students who are of prekindergarten age. As of May 1st, 2007, the Stoneham school district had 57 students placed into out-of-district educational programs. Of this total, 23 students attended private school programs and 34 students attended collaborative programs. Student progress is monitored closely to determine if they are appropriate candidates who can meet the expectations of within-district programs that are available.

School Health Services

The District is served by 6.0 FTE school nurses. In addition to routine first aid and the assessment and treatment of ill students, the nurses are responsible for all student health records and state mandated health programs. Further, the nurses are responsible for creating and maintaining individual health care plans for children with chronic medical needs.

This year the nurses conducted vision and hearing screenings for approximately 3100 students and postural screening for approximately 800 students. They administered medications according to school policy and checked student health records for both compliance and follow up of all student immunizations. The School Nurse reports quarterly school health statistics to the Department of Public Health.

The School nurse implements the food allergy and emergency training protocol and provides Epi Pen training to the staff.

Preschool classes, including special needs students attending South and Colonial Park Schools this year, have been screened according to law. The nurses participated with the special education team, whenever necessary, for children with medical needs.

The school nurses provide emergency care for both ill and injured students, and staff. All health teaching is done by the School nurse in grades K-5. The Middle School Nurse coordinates the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Jump Up and Go Program to teach middle school students healthy eating habits. The High School Nurse is responsible for training health related issues to the coaching staff and teaching students the tobacco cessation program. The nurses served as a resource for the school staff by providing monitoring and counseling for health related issues, and also by providing health education services.

Dr. Marc Pifko serves as school physician for the Stoneham Public Schools and as a medical resource for the nursing staff.

The school nurses assisted with the town-wide Flu Clinic held in October and also offered the flu vaccine to school employees at the various schools.

Our school nurses serve as a resource and provide an important additional link to the community, whether the linkage is to support a parent with an ill child, to answer health related questions, or to assist the Board of Health with community immunizations. The working relationship between the school nurses and the Board of Health nurses has continued to be of the highest quality. This strong working relationship has provided a strong benefit to the town and the schools. The School Nurses are active in working with and making referrals to the Winchester Hospital CHAMPS Program for Asthma students.

Our school nurses act as preceptors and teachers to nursing students from Salem State College and the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. The Stoneham School Nurses provide Staff and Nurses from the surrounding cities and towns with current professional development on such subjects as Asthma, Obesity, and Melanoma. The School Department is also a partner in the Chelsea Health Grant.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

The Physical Education and Athletic Department conducts a variety of programs including, but not limited to, required Physical Education, Adaptive Physical Education, and an Interscholastic Athletic program. These programs were planned with attention to equal access to program offerings and facilities.

The Physical Education Department presently employs a total of 7.2 physical education teachers:

- 2.2 for the high school - 2 full-time
- 3.0 for the middle school - 3 full-time
- 2.0 for the elementary schools -2 full-time

Our physical education teachers and one adaptive physical education teacher, grades K-12, follow the physical education curriculum and present the proper physical conditioning for appropriate activities as well as teach skills in a safe and sequential manner.

The current fitness testing program consists of the following:

- screening test - grades K, 1, & 2
- youth physical fitness test-grades 4, 5, 7, & 8
- health-related test - grades 3, 6, 9, 10, 11, &12

Our objective is to combine assessment of our fitness program with practical follow-up on why and how to stay fit for a lifetime. During the past year, 50% of the students passed the above fitness tests.

Postural screening for students in grades 5 through 9 and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) classes for all grade 9 students were effectively conducted. Also, an adaptive physical education program that serviced the special physical needs of some students continued with measurable success.

Our athletic program is made up of 22 varsity interscholastic sports, 12 sports for the girls' program and 10 sports for the boys' program. In addition, there are fall and winter cheerleading squads. In total, there are 41 high school squads including freshman, junior varsity and varsity. The overall goal of the athletic program at Stoneham High School is to provide equal opportunity for all student-athletes to reach their full potential as members of competitive teams. Each sport and each level of participation has specific goals and objectives which fit into the framework of the athletic program.

During the past 2006-2007 school year, 859 slots were filled by participants in our sports program (Fall - Winter - Spring). In our senior class of 224 students, 124 students played at least one sport in their careers at Stoneham High School, at 56% this number is down from 70% the year prior.

2006-2007 Major Accomplishments

In the fall, Golf, Boys Soccer, and Girls Soccer qualified for the state tournament. Boys Soccer made it to the North Finals for the 6th year in a row. Girls Soccer had the most successful season in Stoneham girls' soccer history.

In the winter, Boys and Girls Track qualified for the State Tournament. The girls won their first Division.3 State Meet Championship. The Gymnastics Team finished second in the league

In the spring, Baseball, Softball, Boys and Girls Outdoor Track qualified for the state tournaments. In Softball, our girls upset the number one seed Concord Carlisle (20-0) 4-3 in extra innings.

Safety - Acknowledgements

Safety is an important part of our athletic program. The major items listed below are some of the highlights insuring the health and welfare of our student-athletes:

- students were equipped well for personal safety
- our equipment received proper maintenance
- our trainers from Advantage provided excellent medical support to our students
- our school physician, Dr. Pifko, and the school nurses screened and cared for the physical health of our athletes
- school maintenance workers gave careful attention to the condition of our fields for practices and games
- a cell phone and walkie-talkie communication system and emergency plan system is in place for the care of athletic injuries and emergencies. Our Athletic trainers are always equipped with a difibulator.

Athletic Department - Acknowledgements

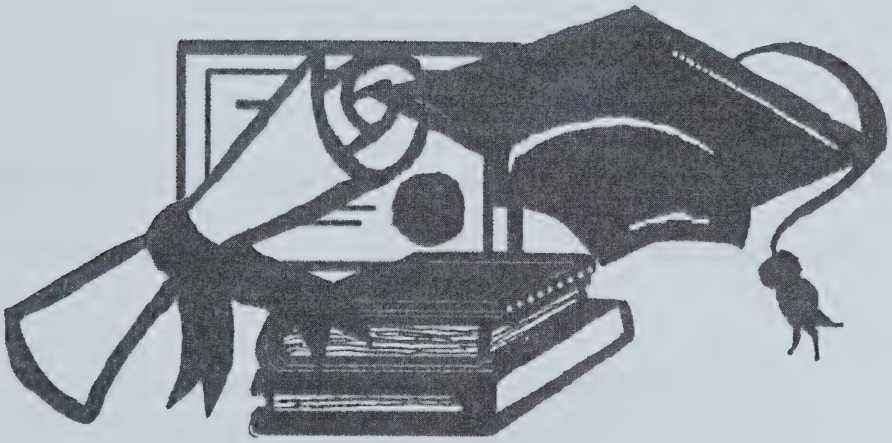
The maintenance department worked diligently to keep up our athletic facilities both indoor and out.

The Stoneham Booster Club supported the Athletic Program through funding of awards and three banquets (fall, winter, spring).

The youth programs around town all pitch in one way or another to help keep our athletic program afloat. For example, the youth basketball donated money for two elementary gym floors to be areas.

Sport	Year	Athletes	Won	Lost	Tied	Coach	Season
Cheerleading – Fall	06-07	19				Eileen DiLisio	Fall
Cross Country (B)	06-07	10	6	3		Phil Riley	Fall
Cross Country (G)	06-07	9	2	7		Kevin Norton	Fall
Field Hockey (V/JV)	06-07	28	0	17	1	Lauren Izzicupo	Fall
Football (V/JV/F)	06-07	74	5	4		Bob Powers	Fall
Golf	06-07	12	3	6		Bill Seabury	Fall
Soccer (B) (V/JV/F)	06-07	60	10	2	6	Jim Carino	Fall
Soccer (G) (V/JV/F)	06-07	56	10	5	3	Sharon Chapman	Fall
Swimming	06-07	28	5	4		Chris Collins	Fall
Volleyball (V/JV)	06-07	26	4	6		Michelle Davison	Fall
Basketball (B) (V/JV/F)	06-07	40	3	15		Bill Killilea	Winter
Basketball (G) (V/JV/F)	06-07	30	7	11		Karen Grutchfield-Scali	Winter
Cheerleading – Winter	06-07	24				Connie Mojica	Winter
Gymnastics	06-07	21	4	2		Annemarie McNeil	Winter
Ice Hockey (B) (V/JV)	06-07	39	5	11	2	Bill Seabury	Winter
Ice Hockey (G) (V/JV)	06-07	17	3	15		Joann Marrone	Winter
Track – Winter (B)	06-07	66	5	4	4	Bob Powers	Winter
Track – Winter (G)	06-07	32	8	1		Kevin Norton	Winter
Baseball (V/JV/F)	06-07	43	4	14		Bill Seabury	Spring
Softball (V/JV)	06-07	25	9	9		Tom Johnson	Spring
Tennis (B)	06-07	9	5	13		Gregg Rubio	Spring
Tennis (G)	06-07	6	4	14		Jennifer Farabaugh	Spring
Track – Spring (B)	06-07	100	6	3		Bob Powers	Spring
Track – Spring (G)	06-07	85	8	1		Jerry Bailey	Spring
Total Participation 06-07		**859**					

Stoneham High School



Graduation

June 8, 2007

PROGRAM

PRELUDE: *Mission Impossible Theme* ..... *Schifrin/arr.Lavendar*
The Lost Lady Found ..... P.A.Grainger
Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest ..... Zimmer
March: Folk Songs from Somerset ..... R.Vaughn-Williams

THE CONCERT BAND
Edmund Grammer, *Conductor*

Pomp and Circumstance ..... Elgar/arr. Ployhar

THE CONCERT BAND

(The audience is asked to remain seated as the graduates enter the field.)

CLASS MARSHALS
Alison Kelly, *Class of 2008*
David Quigley, *Class of 2008*

National Anthem ..... arr. John Higgins

For Just a Little While ..... Albrecht/Althouse

THE SPARTAN CHORALE
Robert Lague, *Conductor*

SPEECH OF WELCOME
Rachel Cail, *President*

At The Beginning ..... Stephen Flaherty
Erica Gould

HONORS ADDRESS
Divya Kanneganti

Times They Are A-Changin' ..... Bob Dylan
Eric Melkonian

PRESENTATION OF MacDONALD MEDALS

to

Jonathan Berkman and Kelly Landers

by

Stephen Jackson and Rosemarie Vecchio

Some Things Are Meant To Be ..... Jay Richards

Emily DiPietro and Kelly Landers

PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Joseph J. Connelly, *Superintendent*

Anne Patriquin, *Assistant Superintendent*

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT

to

Maureen Soley

Chairperson, School Committee

by

Marissa Tuccelli

Vice President, Class of 2007

PRESENTATION OF WILLIAM M. NADEAU AND WENDELL W. HORTON MEMORIAL AWARDS

Thomas F. Ryan, Jr., *Principal*

AWARD OF DIPLOMAS

Maureen Soley, *School Committee*

Recessional ..... Ployhar

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Bryan A. Anderson
Daniel William Angelosanto
▲ ✳ Matthew Angelosanto
✳ Christopher P. Auriemma
Ronald Edward Bagnera, Jr.
Sarah E. Baldassari
✳ Derek Bambery
✳ Jeffrey D. Bee
▲ ✳ Ryan E. Bergstrom
▲ ✳ Jonathan David Berkman
Amy L. Bernabei
Derek J. Bernat
Stephanie Ann Bilderback
Ashley Elizabeth Bolognese
Robert David Boulay
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Michelle Lee Caouette
Joseph N. Carabello
✳ Michael T. Caracciolo
Janelle Carr
✳ Lauren Elizabeth Carrozza
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Ryan John Cassidy
Alison Leigh Catalano
Krysta L. Cataldo
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Stephanie Cheng
✳ Matthew Wesley Choi
Oriana Antonia Cecilia Ciuffetelli
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✳ Jean Benol Codair
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▲ ✳ Michelle Rose Colliton
✳ Adrianna Elizabeth Colucci
David Nicholas Comita
Nicholas Robert Commito
▲ ✳ Katelynn Rose Conlon
Briana Conserva
Joseph R. Conte
James M. Corbett
Reanna Starr Crispin
Sheena Marie Dale
▲ ✳ Christopher Robert Daniels
▲ ✳ Bryan David Danilchuk
▲ ✳ Amalia Jane Dapkiewicz
Alyssa Maria DeBerardinis
▲ ✳ Katia Gioia DeStefano
Michael N. DeVirgilio
▲ ✳ Emily Rose DiPietro
▲ ✳ Kanneganti Divya
Krista Laine Doherty
Amanda Terry Domenici
Matthew T. Doyle
Michael Drago
✳ Amanda Nicole Durgin
Alexander Camron Eagleston
Alexis T. Eliopoulos
✳ Andrew P. Fales
Andrew J. Faughnan
Jaime Sarah Fields

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Kaitlyn Alberta Fields
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✳ Meghan Patricia Flynn
Jenessa M. Foley
▲✳ Hillary Elizabeth Fotino
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Samuel H. Furrier
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▲✳ Katherine Elizabeth Galindo
Natalia Alanna Gatta
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Erica Michele Gould
Vincenzo Salvatore Greco
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Kacey R. Holden
✳ Leah Katherine Hoyland
Alexandra Marie Hyland
Alesea Marie Ingalls
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Justin M. Jordan
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✳ Erin Nicole Kelly
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Kristin M. Kerrigan
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▲✳ Corinne Mary McGreal
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Department of Public Works is now operating with a total complement of 29 full time employees. This includes Engineering and Administrative personnel as well as Water, Sewer, Highway, Cemetery, and Equipment Maintenance staffing. As noted in recent years, our current complement of employees necessitates the "privatization" of more aspects of our operation.

In 1981 there were 67 full time employees in the Department. Today's complement of 29 employees is not nearly enough to adequately and safely maintain the Town and its infrastructure while addressing everyday issues. For example, 20 employees are entrusted with the everyday maintenance of over 80 miles of sanitary sewer piping and water mains, storm drainage, and roadways.

In June, the Department was saddened by the sudden death of one of its mechanics, Terry Narcavage.

As a result of this personnel shortage, nearly all of our tree work including regular maintenance and emergency removal; maintenance of the Town's parks and public lands (including school fields); most of our sidewalk resurfacing and/or replacement; and most of our water main installations/replacements are accomplished by private contractors. This movement towards "privatization" leaves the Town shorthanded when confronted with emergencies such as hurricanes or major snowstorms. In order to provide adequate plowing services, additional contractors must be hired.

The Department is directly involved in the Town's recycling program. The drop-off center and leaf programs were very active and successful. In order to better serve the residents, seven curbside leaf pickups were scheduled during the spring and fall and a Christmas tree pick-up in early January. Curbside recycling participation has been exceptional. A book drop off has been added to the Recycling Center. Again in 2007, the trash fee helped to offset the spiraling costs of rubbish disposal.

Once again, the Department took advantage of the State offered inmate work/release program. Several weeks of work were performed by this group, including grass mowing, leaf raking and general cleanup of the cemetery. This program has proven to be a valuable supplement to the depleted D.P.W. forces. However, due to increasing demand by other communities, obtaining this help is becoming more difficult each year.

ENGINEERING

Working under the direction and guidance of the Public Works Director/Town Engineer, Engineering plans and supervises the diverse activities performed by the Public Works Department. The activities range from trench and pothole repair to roadway paving supervision, to sign installation and replacement, to water main replacement and sanitary sewer and storm drainage design, to assessing and selecting locations for new trees, to cemetery roadway and plot planning, construction and plot layout, to contract and bid specification writing, site plan and subdivision review with associated surety need

estimates and subsequent updates. This division also oversees the planning, design, construction, and renovation of the many miles of water, sewer, and storm drainage piping within the Town's distribution and collection systems; the 70 mile plus roadway network; and the maintenance of the various buildings and properties under the control of the Department of Public Works, including maintenance of the Town Hall. In addition, Engineering serves as a consultant to virtually every Town department and committee.

Engineering is also responsible for the maintenance, upgrading and updating of the multitude of plans and records kept by the Department. Scaled drawings and field sketches indicating the age, type and location of virtually every sewer and water main, and each service connection, as well as the related pumping stations and appurtenances, are maintained and updated so as to provide all necessary information on short notice.

Engineering is becoming more involved in computer technology. Service sketches and plans are currently being scanned into the computer system. Drafting of plans is being accomplished by way of a computer-based program. In addition, our department is assisting with updating the geographic information system to make it of use to the Town's many departments.

During the year, the Division prepared bidding documents, solicited bids and evaluated proposals for 21 different contracts. Over 80 proposals for various equipment, materials, services and construction contracts were received, considered and recommendations for award or rejection rendered. In September and again in December, silent auctions were held to dispose of obsolete equipment.

The Board of Selectmen forwarded 13 new or revised site plans for our review and evaluation during 2007. Considerable time was expended reviewing plans for projects at 117 Hill Street (Hillside Gardens), 95 Maple Street (4 buildings—191 units), the former New England Memorial Hospital site, and at the end of Fallon Road (Home Depot). The Planning Board requested our input regarding four subdivisions consisting of more than 20 lots.

Every subdivision plan submitted to the Planning Board is thoroughly reviewed in terms of roadway and utility design and conformity to regulations, as well as the overall impact of the development on local neighborhoods. Once a subdivision plan is approved and the developer is ready to initiate construction, Engineering calculates the amount of surety required to ensure the ultimate completion of the subdivision. For each subdivision, several surety adjustment recommendations must be made during the course of construction and prior to final release. In addition, Engineering is responsible for the daily inspection of all ongoing roadway and utility work being performed in the various subdivisions and at construction sites, as well as the final inspection of each subdivision and the development of a punch list for completion prior to the final surety release.

As of November 1, 2000, the Town of Stoneham purchased the 1560 streetlights in Town from NStar (formerly Boston Edison Company). Upgrades, additions, and repairs are now performed by way of a contract with Wakefield Municipal Light Department. Nearly all maintenance issues are resolved in a timely fashion, the exception being problems with direct bury wiring from the early 1980's. Trenching and conduit

installation to repair several longstanding outages will be accomplished as funding allows.

The Cross Connection Control program was initiated in 1992 in order to comply with the applicable provisions of Public Law 93-523, the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974; and Massachusetts Regulation 310 CMR, Section 22.22, Protection of Sources of Water. Beta Programs International, Inc., is providing continuing building surveying, device testing and computer services.

Acting in their capacity as consultants, the Engineers are continuously called upon to assist in the development and review of the plans for the many specialized projects undertaken by the Town.

Engineering continues working with and administering the contracts of various consulting engineering firms. Among the consulting firms are:

1. Beta Programs International, Inc. (Cross Connection Control)
2. Malcolm Pirnie, Inc. (Sewer System Evaluation and Improvements)
3. Tremco Roofing (Roof Evaluations)
4. Liston Utility Services (water leak detection survey)
5. Fay, Spofford and Thorndike, Inc. (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit); drainage study

During 2007, sewer rehabilitation work was completed in the Middlesex/Peabody and Marble Street (Lincolnville) areas. Work included open cut and spot repairs, full lining of sections of sewer main (manhole to manhole), and manhole lining. In addition, the Northwest lift station was rehabilitated.

Work anticipated during 2008 includes the following (Please refer to attached map for study area boundaries and pump station locations):

A. Sewer rehabilitation construction in study areas 2, 3, and 4.
B. Citation Avenue pump station rehabilitation construction.
C. Design and bid Phase 3 rehabilitation.

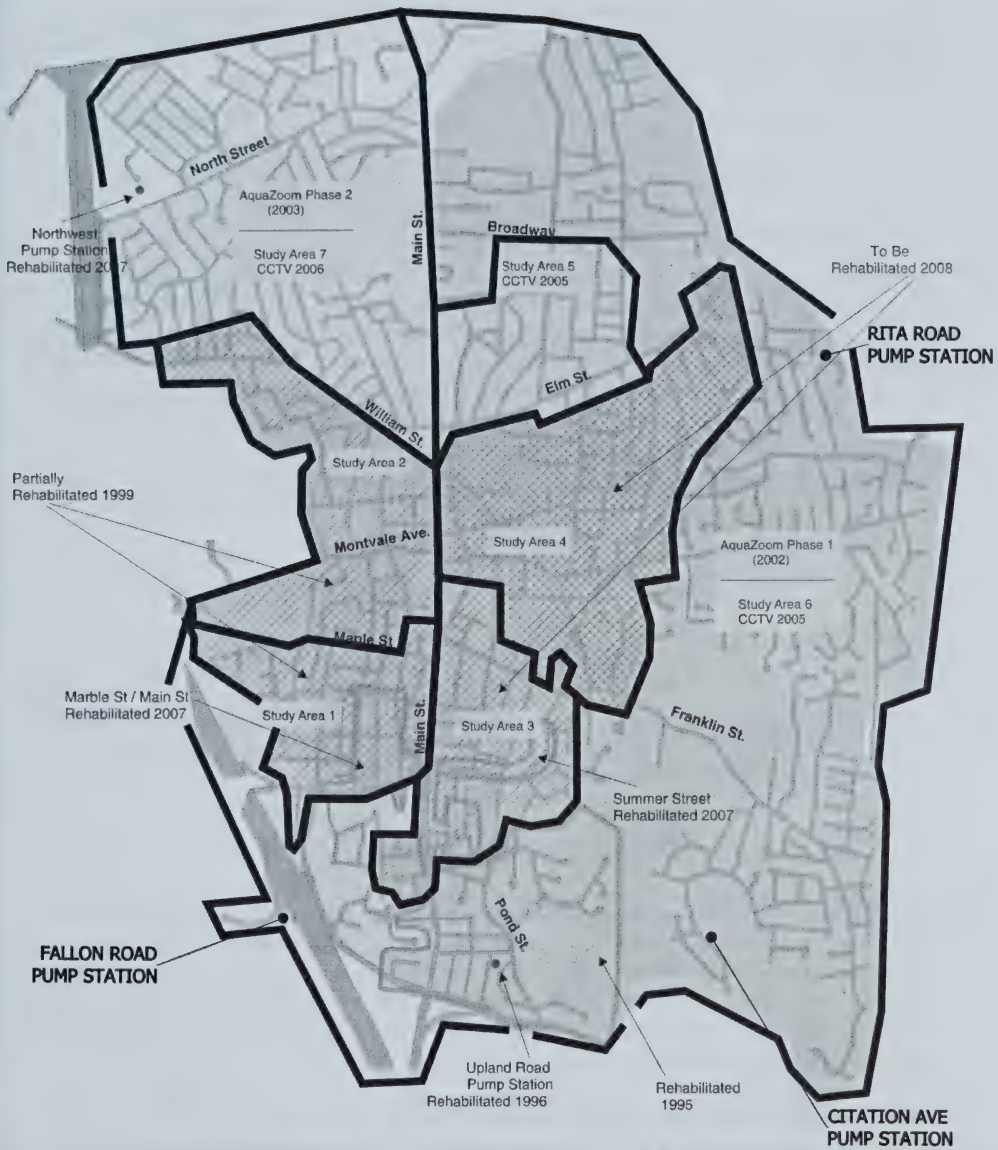
The Sewer System Evaluation Study has been very successful in reducing infiltration and inflow in the Town's sewer system.

Contracts are being prepared for relining (pipes and manholes), spot repairs, and testing and sealing in the Northwest section of Town. This work will be bid in 2008. In addition, the Fallon Road sewer pumping station is currently being evaluated and replacement proposals considered. The Sewer System Evaluation Study has been very successful in reducing infiltration and inflow in the Town's sewer system.

Other significant projects were as follows:

1. Town sidewalk/curbing installation/upgrading program and/or Chapter 90 funded sidewalk work.

2. Clean up Spring Lane and Stevens Street storage and recycling yards.
3. Providing appropriate plans and supporting documentation and holding hearings associated with the acceptance of streets as Public Ways.
4. Coordination of the installation, upgrading, and maintenance of street lighting.
5. Leaf disposal program
6. Development of the annual paving program including the submission of various project request forms and subsequent reimbursement request forms related to work being done with state funding (Chapter 90).
7. Administering contracts for the maintenance of the Town Common, Main Street islands, and parks including mowing and irrigation.
8. Snow plow contractor hiring, route assignment, and coordination of efforts related to plowing, salting, and sanding operations; as well as plowing at schools and school crossings.



Town of Stoneham, MA
Infrastructure Maintenance Management Program
AquaZoom, CCTV and Sewer Rehabilitation
Project Areas

HIGHWAY

Cold planing and paving was provided by Aggregate Industries of Saugus, MA. The following streets or portions thereof were excavated by cold planer and resurfaced by Aggregate industries during 2007:

1. Arlene Avenue
2. Atwood Avenue
3. High Street
4. Hillside Road
5. Janice Lane
6. Kimball Drive
7. Lawndale Road
8. Maple Street
9. Marble Street
10. Pond Street
11. West Hancock Street
12. William Street

HIGHWAY- Paving by contractor during 2007

1. Hamill Court
2. Elwood Avenue — cul-de-sac only

SHADE TREE PROGRAM

Lack of funding resulted in a reduction in the number of trees purchased and planted during 2007. Hopefully more money will be available in the future to expand this popular program. Only 16 trees were planted during 2007.

SIDEWALK UPGRADING

Funding was restored for addressing the extensive list of sidewalk issues that have been accumulating for several years. As a result sidewalk replacement/resurfacing was done from that list in addition to work on the year's Chapter 90 resurfacing projects. Sidewalk improvements were made by Town forces as well as two contractors, LaRovere Design/Build Corp. of Everett (for granolithic), and D & R General Contracting of Stoneham (for bituminous concrete).

Granolithic (concrete) sidewalk work was performed on the following streets:

1. Maple Street
2. Marble Street

Bituminous (hot top) sidewalk work was performed on the following streets:

1. Maple Street
2. High Street
3. Pond Street
4. William Street
5. Marble Street

CATCH BASIN CLEANING

Approximately 2,000 catch basins and drain manholes were cleaned by D&M Catch Basin Cleaning, Billerica, Massachusetts. The key to a trouble-free drainage system is the timely sweeping of all streets in early spring, followed immediately by the cleaning of all catch basins to remove winter sand and other debris. Due to fiscal constraints, sweeping services were provided only by our own sweeper, thus extending the time to complete the project. Experience has shown that it is much easier to remove foreign materials from street surfaces and catch basins than it is from storm drainage piping. A well-timed program minimizes flooding in streets and on private property by keeping the storm drainage system free of sand and debris.

TRAFFIC LINE PAINTING AND SIGNAL MAINTENANCE

1. Hi-Way Safety Systems, Inc. Hanover, Massachusetts, provided line, word, and symbol painting.
2. Traffic signal maintenance was provided by Electric Light Company, Inc., of Cape Neddick, Maine.

WATER CONSTRUCTION BY TOWN

		SIZE	LENGTH	GATES	HYDRANTS
1.	Chestnut Street	8"	582'	3	
2.	Graystone Road	8"	185'	1	
3.	Ledge Street	8"	480'	2	
4.	North Avenue	8"	212'	2	1
5.	Wright Street	8"	2,628	14	3

Additional water work was accomplished on Marble Street (west of Park Street), and sections of William Street. On those streets (and others), when new mains were installed service lines were not transferred and thus the old main had to remain in service. On Marble and William Streets the old mains had deteriorated, the services were transferred during 2007 and the old mains taken out of service.

SNOW FIGHTING

The total snowfall for the 2006-2007 winter season was 17 3/4 inches. Two storms needed to be plowed: snowfalls of 9 inches on March 16, 2007; and 5 inches on February 14; 2007.

CEMETERY

Number of lots sold – January through December 31, 2007 – 90
Number of interments – January through December 31, 2007 – 49

TREE DIVISION

The budget for FY08 voted at the 2007 Annual Town Meeting again provided minimal tree maintenance monies. As a result, no contractors could be retained under an annual contract to provide for trimming or emergency work.

Trees removed – 42
Stumps ground – 35

MISCELLANEOUS CALLS

The following work was performed by Department personnel in response to phone calls. Department action may have required 15 minutes work by one man, or several days work by a crew of three or four men with trucks and an excavator.

SEWER RELATED CALLS

1.	Main sewer plugs	45
2.	Sewer service plugs	60
3.	Sewer service excavation/repair	8
4.	Miscellaneous sewer calls	50

WATER RELATED CALLS

1.	Water main break	6
2.	Water service repairs including service gates	40
3.	Meter repairs/replacements/readings	460
4.	Water turn on/off	70
5.	Rusty water calls	30 (some were internal problems)
6.	Miscellaneous calls	120
7.	Hydrant repairs	20 (5 leaks included)
8.	Hydrant replacement	8
9.	Water service relays	6
10.	Frozen service calls	5

DRAIN RELATED CALLS

1.	Miscellaneous drain calls	75
2.	Drain repairs/replacements	10

MISCELLANEOUS CALLS

1.	Sign installations/replacements/repairs	250
2.	Dead animal pick-ups	140

SERVICE INSTALLATIONS BY CONTRACTOR

1.	New water services	10
2.	New sewer services	10

MISCELLANEOUS WORK

1. Winterize hydrants
2. Sewer flushing program, continuous critical area inspection
3. Install and remove Christmas lights/decorations
4. Repair and fill sand barrels
5. Rake and pick up leaves from Town properties
6. Shade tree program
7. Water meter replacement program
8. Remote reader installation program
9. Weekly recycling program
10. Water main flushing program
11. Clean sump chambers at pumping stations
12. Seasonally change decorative banners along Main Street
13. Replace or repair defective hydrants as necessary.
14. Replace damaged and/or missing regulatory and street signs. Add signs as needed.
15. Hazardous waste collection
16. Clearing critical catch basin grates.
17. Replace street signs to meet current size criteria.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

In fiscal year 2007, the Town generated a surplus of $1,432,435. This amount was certified as free cash in fiscal year 2008 by the State. A good portion of this surplus was the result of department heads turning back a total of $631,484 from their fiscal year 2007 budgets into the General Fund. One area where the Town saved money was on snow and ice removal. In recent years, the Town needed to exceed the snow and ice budget of $190,000 by more than $200,000 to $300,000 because of inclement weather during the winter months. This budget has been level funded over the years even though the cost of snow and ice removal has significantly increased. The budgeted amount of $190,000 only covers the cost of about four snowstorms. Fiscal year 2007 was the first time, in a long time, that the Town actually recognized a significant savings in the snow and ice budget. Instead of negatively impacting free cash with the usual deficit, the snow and ice budget actually contributed to the free cash balance.

Public safety departments were also able to save money in their budgets because the Town was able to secure an insurance agreement that reimbursed the public safety departments for wages paid to public safety employees injured on duty. Some departments were able to save money in their personnel line items because they did not immediately fill a vacant position. The Assessors Department, Public Property Maintenance, the Public Library, Public Works, Police, and Fire all had vacancies during the fiscal year. Finally, the Town was able to postpone borrowing money for some projects as well as secure a lower than expected interest rate on its bond issuance. These two actions enabled the Town to turn back over $200,000 in the Debt Service Budget.

Departmental budget turn backs are not the only contributing factor to a higher free cash amount. Actual revenues exceeding projected amounts can also generate more free cash. This was the case in fiscal year 2007 when Actual Revenues exceeded estimated amounts by $795,974. The Town was able to generate an additional $261,391 in Real Estate and Personal Property Tax collections by actively pursuing outstanding prior year tax receivables. In addition, Medicaid Reimbursements, License and Permits, and Investment Income generated greater than expected revenues during fiscal year 2007.

Much of these additional revenues and budget savings came mostly from nonrecurring sources. Therefore, the Town should not get into the routine of using its free cash to fund its operating budget. A more appropriate use of free cash would be to invest some of these funds into the Town's pension system to help pay down the $20 million unfunded pension liability. Also, the Town should consider paying for some capital items or build up its Stabilization Fund, which has been depleted over the last few years. The Town did make a valid attempt to use

its certified free cash amount of $1,432,435 to address its capital needs, replenish its Stabilization Fund, and fund some of the pension liability at the October 18, 2007 Special Town Meeting. The Town voted to transfer $805,000 into the Stabilization Fund bringing this "rainy day" account to over $1.4 million. Also, $200,000 of free cash was set aside for some capital items such as new boilers at the Library and Police Station, and new computer equipment at the Town Hall and School Department. Finally, the remaining $400,000 of this free cash was invested into the pension system to fund the Unfunded Pension Liability and help ease some of the financial burden of increasing pension costs for future years.

This strategy of paying down the $20 million Unfunded Pension Liability sooner rather than later puts the Town in a better position to deal with GASB 45. GASB 45 is a new regulation that requires all cities and towns to book the Unfunded Liability for Post Employment Benefits Other than Pension. Currently, there is no mandate to fund this liability, but when it does become a requirement, it will be huge problem for all communities in the State not just Stoneham. The initial study done by the Accounting Department shows an additional $100 million unfunded liability. The Town is making every attempt to lower this liability. At a recent town meeting, the Town successfully passed a warrant article that adopted Mass. General Law Chapter 32, Section 18, which forces eligible retired employees onto Medicare rather than the Town's insurance plan. Also, the Town is looking into lower premium costs for health insurance by joining the State's Health Plan as well as trying to negotiate with the unions an increase in the employee's contribution for health insurance.

Overall, fiscal year 2007 proved to be a very successful year. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for giving me the opportunity to serve as Town Administrator during the last few years. Also, I am grateful to them for allowing me to step back into my former position as Town Accountant so that I can continue serving this great Community. At this stage in my life where I have three small children counting on me to be there for them, the Town Accountant role works best for me. I will be forever thankful to Ron Castignetti for voluntarily stepping down from the Town Accountant position and assuming the Assistant Town Accountant position. Finally, I want to thank my two Office Assistants, Patricia Queeney and Karen Brown, for all their hard work.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald J. Florino
Town Accountant

TOWN OF STONEHAM
FY'07 ESTIMATED VS ACTUAL REVENUE RECAP

DESCRIPTION	FY'07 EST. REVENUE	FY'07 ACTUAL REVENUE	FY'07 SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)	FY'08 EST. REVENUE
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE, NET OF REFUNDS	2,636,949	2,529,812.43	(107,136.57)	2,477,066
PENALTIES/INTEREST ON TAXES & EXCISE	146,000	155,757.17	9,757.17	146,000
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	38,000	52,340.63	14,340.63	50,000
FEES	288,387	308,465.77	20,078.77	305,000
RENTALS	3,450	1,330.00	(2,120.00)	1,300
DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE				
_ SCHOOLS	130,000	266,162.74	136,162.74	240,000
_ LIBRARIES	1,500	1,843.55	343.55	1,500
_ CEMETERIES	71,000	66,780.00	(4,220.00)	65,000
_ RECREATION	1,330,000	1,308,502.00	(21,498.00)	1,300,000
OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE	12,000	21,099.41	9,099.41	20,000
LICENSES & PERMITS	425,000	482,116.65	57,116.65	450,000
FINES & FORFEITS(Parking & Dog Fines)	14,700	20,267.00	5,567.00	20,000
INVESTMENT INCOME	133,613	244,080.56	110,467.56	240,000
DISTRICT COURT FINES	42,600	78,664.66	36,064.66	75,000
PENSION REIMBURSEMENTS	3,180	1,592.40	(1,587.60)	1,500
TRASH FEE	941,000	1,036,295.48	95,295.48	1,035,000
TAILINGS WRITE OFFS	0	64,511.48	64,511.48	0
BOND PREMIUM	0	40,119.15	40,119.15	0
RESCO SETTLEMENT	0	17,223.07	17,223.07	0
TOTAL LOCAL RECEIPTS	6,217,379	6,696,964.15	479,585.15	6,427,366
STATE AID	10,017,659	10,043,373.91	25,714.91	10,360,243
REAL ESTATE/PERSONAL PROPERTY	33,584,826	33,737,146.92	152,320.92	34,708,346
DEFERRED REAL ESTATE	0	0.00	0.00	0
TAX LIENS	0	109,070.15	109,070.15	0
STATE REIMB. --OTHER	0	29,282.78	29,282.78	0
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	49,819,864.00	50,615,837.91	795,973.91	51,495,955
TOTAL SEWER FUND	4,631,125	4,559,525.39	(71,599.61)	4,912,384
TOTAL WATER FUND	3,793,900	3,661,153.52	(132,746.48)	3,787,875

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Budget vs Actual Summary
Fiscal Year 2007

Depart. #	Department	PERSONNEL FY'07 Budget	PERSONNEL Year-to-date Expended	PERSONNEL % Used	OPERATING FY'07 Budget	OPERATING Year-to-date Expended	OPERATING % Used	TOTAL BUDGET FY'07 Budget	TOTAL BUDGET Year-to-date Expend.	End of Year Encumb.	Dept. Turnbacks	% Used
114	Town Moderator	5,466	5,466	100.00%	0	0	0.00%	5,466	5,466	0	0	100.00%
122	Board of Selectmen	61,490	61,254	99.62%	14,447	14,090	97.53%	75,937	75,344	0	593	99.22%
123	Town Administrator	297,787	297,743	99.99%	78,379	72,569	92.59%	376,166	370,311	2,596	3,258	98.44%
135	Town Accountant	175,459	175,135	99.82%	3,050	1,451	47.56%	178,509	176,586	0	1,923	98.92%
141	Assessors	147,439	135,359	91.81%	13,325	12,808	96.12%	160,764	148,167	0	12,597	92.16%
145	Town Treasurer	240,214	237,973	99.07%	31,005	26,088	84.14%	271,219	264,061	4,915	2,243	97.36%
151	Town Counsel	98,830	98,471	99.64%	17,225	12,857	74.64%	116,055	111,328	3,108	1,619	95.93%
155	MIS/GIS/DP	12,500	7,800	62.40%	57,400	56,308	98.10%	69,900	64,108	1,000	4,792	91.71%
161	Town Clerk	145,471	140,524	96.60%	5,845	4,660	79.72%	151,316	145,183	560	5,573	95.95%
162	Elec. & Reg.	32,386	28,859	89.11%	51,400	40,503	78.80%	83,786	69,362	6,195	8,228	82.78%
172	Whip Hill park	47,867	47,735	99.72%	10,950	9,046	82.61%	58,817	56,781	1,445	592	96.64%
182	Comm. Dev./Planning	28,733	27,838	96.89%	1,950	1,911	98.02%	30,683	29,750	0	934	96.96%
192	Public Property Maint.	53,170	42,110	79.20%	85,112	66,840	78.53%	138,282	108,950	11,258	18,074	78.79%
210	Police	3,333,031	3,328,458	99.86%	286,822	281,837	98.26%	3,619,853	3,610,295	4,984	4,574	99.74%
211	Traffic Directors	97,900	97,324	99.41%	4,500	4,032	89.60%	102,400	101,355	0	1,045	98.98%
212	Dispatchers	320,865	318,050	99.12%	6,220	3,050	49.03%	327,085	321,099	912	5,074	98.17%
220	Fire	2,613,785	2,532,156	96.88%	156,659	155,391	99.19%	2,770,444	2,687,547	0	82,897	97.01%
241	Building & Wire	163,479	160,531	98.20%	16,100	13,999	86.95%	179,579	174,531	1,114	3,935	97.19%
291	Civil Defense	23,920	23,920	100.00%	5,050	5,050	100.00%	28,970	28,970	0	0	100.00%
300	Schools	18,034,697	18,154,375	100.66%	4,873,097	4,435,327	91.02%	22,907,794	22,589,703	317,126	966	98.61%
399	Vocational Schools	0	0	0.00%	462,017	451,814	97.79%	462,017	451,814		10,203	97.79%
400	Public Works	719,529	678,272	94.27%	2,213,705	1,962,196	88.64%	2,933,234	2,640,468	166,631	126,135	90.02%
510	Board of Health	138,203	137,456	99.46%	5,240	4,968	94.80%	143,443	142,424	255	764	99.29%
541	Council on Aging	130,604	128,250	98.20%	46,596	46,094	98.92%	177,200	174,344	0	2,856	98.39%
542	Youth Commission	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0.00%
543	Veterans Service	10,455	10,415	99.62%	60,257	58,197	96.58%	70,712	68,612	0	2,100	97.03%
610	Public Library	587,778	553,972	94.25%	160,899	157,886	98.13%	748,677	711,858	924	35,895	95.08%
630	Unicorn/Par 3 Golf Courses	262,229	232,451	88.64%	327,726	318,388	97.15%	589,955	550,839	919	38,197	93.37%
631	Stoneham Arena	153,534	153,524	99.99%	303,286	311,295	102.64%	456,820	464,819	350	(8,349)	101.75%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	2,845,000	3,034,530	106.66%	2,845,000	3,034,530	0	(189,530)	106.66%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	2,196,192	1,957,285	89.12%	2,196,192	1,957,285	0	238,907	89.12%
910	Non-Contributory	56,768	56,123	98.86%	0	0	0.00%	56,768	56,123	0	645	98.86%
911	Contributory	4,013,085	4,013,085	100.00%	0	0	0.00%	4,013,085	4,013,085	0	0	100.00%
918	Capital	0	0	0.00%	83,167	11,562	13.90%	83,167	11,562	71,000	605	13.90%
919	Unclassified	0	0	0.00%	2,807,153	2,571,787	91.62%	2,807,153	2,571,787	22,345	213,021	91.62%
920	Non-Departmental	0	0	0.00%	35,229	34,111	96.83%	35,229	34,111	0	1,118	96.83%
	TOTAL GENERAL	**32,006,674**	**31,884,629**	**99.62%**	**17,265,003**	**16,137,930**	**93.47%**	**49,271,677**	**48,022,558**	**617,635**	**631,484**	**97.46%**
440	Sewer	570,630	561,531	98.41%	87,375	86,066	98.50%	658,005	647,597	631	9,777	98.42%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0	0.00%	3,386,652	3,386,652	100.00%	3,386,652	3,386,652	0	0	100.00%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	97,559	97,559	100.00%	97,559	97,559	0	0	100.00%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	TOTAL SEWER	**570,630**	**561,531**	**98.41%**	**3,571,586**	**3,570,277**	**99.96%**	**4,142,216**	**4,131,808**	**631**	**9,777**	**99.75%**
450	Water	595,496	585,357	98.30%	168,575	146,353	86.82%	764,071	731,710	1,856	30,505	95.76%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0	0.00%	2,517,547	2,526,942	100.37%	2,517,547	2,526,942	0	(9,395)	100.37%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0.00%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	TOTAL WATER	**595,496**	**585,357**	**98.30%**	**2,686,122**	**2,673,295**	**99.52%**	**3,281,618**	**3,258,652**	**1,856**	**21,110**	**99.30%**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Summary Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2007

Assets	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fund	Trust & Agency Funds	Account Group General L-T Obligations	Total
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	4,427,633							
- Restricted Checking		1,700,524	2,548,508	792,929	42,066	3,057,015		
- Restricted Savings		217,216						
Trash Fee Receivable	114,131							
Personal Property Tax - 2008	(70)							
Personal Property Tax - 2007	14,183							
Personal Property Tax - 2006	12,539							
Personal Property Tax - Prior Years	42,175							
Real Estate Tax - 2008	(12,747)							
Real Estate Tax - 2007	449,531							
Real Estate Tax - 2006	134,772							
Real Estate Tax - Prior Years	116,988							
Allowance for Abate/Exemptions	(1,004,508)							
Tax Liens	169,900							
Deferred Real Estate Taxes	246,735							
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2007	174,184							
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2006	54,150							
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2005	27,247							
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - Prior Years	58,086							
User Charges Receivable - Sewer				497,300				
User Charges Receivable - Water					289,216			
Trash Fee/Sewer/Water Liens Receivable	7,163			70,822	37,168			
Apportioned Assessment Not Yet Due				9,469	6,836			
Due From State Government								
Amount to be provided for GLTD							42,906,999	
Total Assets	**5,032,092**	**1,917,740**	**2,548,508**	**1,370,521**	**375,287**	**3,057,015**	**42,906,999**	**63,928,725**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Summary Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2007

Liabilities and Fund Balances	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fund	Trust & Agency Funds	Account Group General L-T Obligations	Total
Warrants Payable	430,360	37,107			481	2,759		
Accrued Payroll	181,645	5,820		3,731	8,258	17,827		
Bond Anticipation Notes Payable						0		
Paid Details(Police, Fire, & Custodial)						155		
Due to Comm. of Mass./Other Agencies								
Unclaimed Items	6,113							
Guaranteed Deposits	1,198	217,216						
Deferred Revenue:								
- Uncollected Trash Fee	114,131							
- Uncollected Property Tax	(247,137)							
- Uncollected Def. Real Estate	246,735							
- Uncollected Tax Liens	169,900							
- Uncollected Motor Veh. Exc.	313,668							
- Uncollected User Charges				497,300	289,216			
- Uncollected Trash/Sewer/Water Liens	7,163			70,822	37,168			
- Uncollected Gov't Receivables								
- Uncollected Special Assess.				9,469	6,836			
Payroll Withholdings	84,429							
Other Liabilities						202,085		
General Long Term Obligation Bonds							42,906,999	
Total Liabilities	**1,308,205**	**260,143**	**-**	**581,322**	**341,959**	**222,826**	**42,906,999**	**47,027,706**
Undesignated Fund Balance/Retained Earning	2,684,923			503,453	9,054			
Fund Balance:								
- Res. for Expenditures	280,000							
- Res. for Continuous Approp.	132,257			285,114	22,417			
- Reserved for Encumbrances	626,707			631	1,856			
- Designated Under Assessments								
- Designated Federal Grants		134,437						
- Designated State Grants		210,283						
- Designated Revolving Fund		319,185						
- Reserved for Appropriation		200,139						
- Reserved for Special Purposes		793,552	2,548,508			2,834,189		
Total Fund Balances	**3,723,887**	**1,657,597**	**2,548,508**	**789,198**	**33,327**	**2,834,189**	**-**	**16,901,019**
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	**5,032,092**	**1,917,740**	**2,548,508**	**1,370,521**	**375,287**	**3,057,015**	**42,906,999**	**63,928,725**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS
As of June 30, 2007

Account Number	Federal Grants	Balance 7/1/06	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
16-3480	Digital Booking System	(31,470.52)	31,470.52	0.00		0.00
16-3690	Copsmore Grant	33,782.11		33,782.11	31,470.52	2,311.59
16-3614	Firefighter Turnout Gear	0.00	33,120.00	33,120.00	33,120.00	0.00
16-3613,3621,3621A	Community Develop.-Ready Resource Grant	(1,841.61)	3,507.93	1,666.32	0.00	1,666.32
16-3611	Seatbelt Enforcement Grant	7,286.07		7,286.07		7,286.07
16-3497	Wakefield Voc. School Project (Police)	1,718.76		1,718.76		1,718.76
16-3449	FEMA Fire Training Grant	25,250.06		25,250.06		25,250.06
16-3458	FEMA BOH Emergency Preparedness Grant	2,390.18	2,992.49	5,382.67	2,388.95	2,993.72
16-3463,3663	Safe & Drug Free Schools	11,487.06	11,705.00	23,192.06	12,200.00	10,992.06
16-3465, 3649	Title I - Reading Program	16,926.90	223,108.00	240,034.90	233,149.33	6,885.57
16-3467, 3657	Title VIB-Special Education for Handicapped (94-142)	(6,035.81)	633,093.39	627,057.58	575,101.24	51,956.34
16-3468, 3662	Title VIB - Early Childhood Development	(6,546.84)	26,715.00	20,168.16	17,719.33	2,448.83
16-3466, 3659	Title II/VIB - Block Grant	118.00	3,522.00	3,640.00	118.00	3,522.00
16-3654, 3680A	SPED Electronic Portfolio Grant	1.05	0.00	1.05		1.05
16-3617, 3620	Title II Enhancing Education via Tech.	2,859.50	3,037.00	5,896.50	4,150.24	1,746.26
16-3462,3661,3664	SPED Program Improvements	4,903.46	19,092.00	23,995.46	25,188.20	(1,192.74)
16-3447,3460	Title II Improving Educator Quality	9,079.45	68,584.00	77,663.45	55,890.10	21,773.35
16-3476	Fire - Homeland Security Local Preparedness	(4,922.00)	0.00	(4,922.00)	0.00	(4,922.00)
	Total Federal Grants	**64,985.82**	**1,059,947.33**	**1,124,933.15**	**990,495.91**	**134,437.24**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS
As of June 30, 2007

Account Number	State Grants	Balance 7/1/06	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
17-3521	Student Awareness Fire Education (S.A.F.E.)	3,836.07	6,671.07	10,507.14	4,271.36	6,235.78
17-3537, 3548	Safe School II	1,750.00	2,500.00	4,250.00	3,944.23	305.77
17-3454	Police Bullet Proof Vests	3,758.50		3,758.50		3,758.50
17-3591A	Transportation for the Elderly	1,562.43	32,067.00	33,629.43	27,604.37	6,025.06
17-3530	Community Policing	50,918.49	46,438.00	97,356.49	24,790.15	72,566.34
17-3535	Mass Releaf Tree Grant	8,982.94		8,982.94		8,982.94
17-3509	Fire Department Hazmat Grant	5,166.34	7,163.84	12,330.18	3,993.43	8,336.75
17-3516	Mass. Incentive Recycling Program	19,866.70	1,400.00	21,266.70		21,266.70
17-3553	Law Enforcement Trust	53,629.03	2,041.61	55,670.64	10,388.85	45,281.79
17-3556	State Aid to Public Libraries	123,489.43	30,076.58	153,566.01	45,655.49	107,910.52
17-3508	Weights & Measures-Purchase Equipment	229.20		229.20		229.20
17-3526	DEQE Waterwaste Systems	2,735.41		2,735.41	753.80	1,981.61
17-3527	Arts & Lottery Grant	5,014.62	5,920.18	10,934.80	6,000.00	4,934.80
17-3444	Police Safety Equipment	1,972.00		1,972.00		1,972.00
17-3445	Firefighter's Safety Equipment	1,726.36	7,800.00	9,526.36	1,941.53	7,584.83
13-3550A	CH 811 Highway Improvements	10,060.12		10,060.12		10,060.12
13-3520	Street Improvement Grant	7,745.72		7,745.72		7,745.72
13-3545	CH 291 of the Acts of 2005	(37,231.84)	141,580.15	104,348.31	104,348.31	0.00
13-3546	CH 291B of the Acts of 2006	0.00	169,427.61	169,427.61	277,716.88	(108,289.27)
17-3533,3459,3494	Reserved for Educational Reform	271.33		271.33		271.33
17-3532	Mentorship Grant	1,123.04		1,123.04		1,123.04
17-3501, 3457	Kindergarten Enhancement Program	2,447.13	52,200.00	54,647.13	52,647.17	1,999.96
17-3513, 3513A	Academic Support Grant	(2,720.00)	8,785.00	6,065.00	6,065.00	0.00
17-3534	School "Pothole " Grant	323.90		323.90	323.90	0.00
	Total State Grants	**266,656.92**	**514,071.04**	**780,727.96**	**570,444.47**	**210,283.49**
	Total Federal & State Grants	**331,642.74**	**1,574,018.37**	**1,905,661.11**	**1,560,940.38**	**344,720.73**

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Account Number	Revolving Funds	Balance 7/1/2006	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/2007
12-3560	School Lunch Program	1,122.75	711,292.44	712,415.19	718,639.13	(6,223.94)
14-3306	Wetland Protection Fees	8,888.35	2,827.40	11,715.75	4,322.47	7,393.28
14-3537	E-Rate Discount	1,000.51	2,878.00	3,878.51	2,700.00	1,178.51
14-3550	Full Day Kindergarten	25,625.01	199,210.00	224,835.01	182,310.24	42,524.77
14-3558	Rental of Tax Possession Property	6,250.13		6,250.13		6,250.13
14-3559	Public Health Fund	13,805.94	9,919.05	23,724.99	12,279.79	11,445.20
14-3560	Athletic Fund	43,961.68	234,236.61	278,198.29	250,854.74	27,343.55
14-3561	Adult Evening School	1,053.04		1,053.04	330.00	723.04
14-3562	Summer School Program	6,958.08	1,150.00	8,108.08		8,108.08
14-3563	Youth Commission	49,673.23	105,203.52	154,876.75	121,707.82	33,168.93
14-3564,3565,3566	Insurance Reimbursement Under $20,000.	35,536.44	14,581.95	50,118.39	9,050.78	41,067.61
14-3567, 3568	Senior Citizen Outings	5,636.17	4,698.00	10,334.17	5,553.30	4,780.87
14-3569	Parking and Traffic Enforcement	26,424.00		26,424.00	26,424.00	0.00
14-3570	Tuition Reimbursement for Out of Town Children	45,902.17	492,192.30	538,094.47	518,094.30	20,000.17
14-3572	Rental of School Buildings	15,000.00	515,218.56	530,218.56	504,977.93	25,240.63
14-3574	Composting Bins	2,310.00	985.00	3,295.00	565.50	2,729.50
14-3575	ADA Parking Fines	17,310.00	405.00	17,715.00		17,715.00
14-3576	Rental of Senior Center	2,982.08	4,405.00	7,387.08	1,179.25	6,207.83
14-3578	H. S Extension	5,420.50		5,420.50		5,420.50
14-3585	Pre School Program	21,675.50	171,201.60	192,877.10	147,056.46	45,820.64
14-3586	School Age/After School Child Care	0.00	298,793.69	298,793.69	293,164.11	5,629.58
14-3587	Arena Concession/Pro Shop/Vending	0.00	24,600.00	24,600.00	24,600.00	0.00
14-3588	High School Drama Program	1,732.30	8,850.00	10,582.30	1,831.61	8,750.69
14-3589	School Instrumental Music Program	4,110.11	4,632.00	8,742.11	4,832.00	3,910.11
	Total Revolving Funds	**342,377.99**	**2,807,280.12**	**3,149,658.11**	**2,830,473.43**	**319,184.68**

Account Number	Receipts Reserved for Appropriations	Balance 7/1/2006	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/2007
15-3300	Sale of Foreclosed Property	85,553.93		85,553.93		85,553.93
15-3564	Insurance Reimbursement Over $20,000.	0.00	24,026.00	24,026.00	24,026.00	0.00
15-3304	Sale of Cemetery Lots	122,460.45	44,125.00	166,585.45	52,000.00	114,585.45
	Total Receipts Reserved for Appropriations	**208,014.38**	**68,151.00**	**276,165.38**	**76,026.00**	**200,139.38**

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Account Number	Individual Gifts & Donations	Balance 7/1/2006	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/2007
29-3450	Board of Selectmen-- General Donations	1,225.00		1,225.00		1,225.00
29-3451	A T & T Broadband--Return line	30,000.00		30,000.00		30,000.00
29-3485,3607	Town Common Donations	8,815.75		8,815.75	4,648.50	4,167.25
29-3486	Verizon Cable-Capital	0.00	150,195.20	150,195.20	111,000.00	39,195.20
29-3486A	Verizon Cable-Operating	0.00	7,128.80	7,128.80	4,044.92	3,083.88
29-3492	Whip Hill Upkeep	3,766.66	20,000.00	23,766.66	20,346.90	3,419.76
29-3499	Stoneham Historical Committee Donations	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
29-3581	BRMC Donation-Exercise Instructor	426.65		426.65		426.65
29-3582	Basketball Court Donations	95.13		95.13		95.13
29-3583	Redstone Donation-Traffic Island	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
29-3599	Stoneham Middle School Music Club	1,380.33		1,380.33		1,380.33
29-3604	Tree Service Donations	2,948.66	4,655.11	7,603.77		7,603.77
29-3604A	Park & Street Donations	16,326.38	6,913.45	23,239.83	400.00	22,839.83
29-3605	Community Policing Donations	897.45		897.45		897.45
29-3606	Public Safety Donation (BJ's)	7,234.05	30,000.00	37,234.05	1,567.95	35,666.10
29-3608	Civic Improvement Donation	5,000.00		5,000.00		5,000.00
29-3609	Optical Receiver/Landscaping Donations	2,551.36		2,551.36		2,551.36
29-3610	BJ's Site Plan (Traffic Lights)	26,000.00		26,000.00		26,000.00
29-3622	Board of Selectmen - Von Dreathen	1,305.81		1,305.81		1,305.81
29-3623	Board of Selectmen - Stockwell Fund	1,327.17		1,327.17		1,327.17
29-3624,3625	Police Donations	369.64		369.64		369.64
29-3626,3633	Fire - NE Memorial Hospital (Super Pas	785.08		785.08		785.08
29-3631	D.A.R.E. Program Donations	11,191.85	1,074.62	12,266.47	836.73	11,429.74
29-3632	Conservation Commission Donation	25.00		25.00		25.00
29-3634	A T & T License Renewal--Capital	116,879.77		116,879.77	6,141.36	110,738.41
29-3634A	A T & T License Renewal--Operating	198,416.06	318,969.93	517,385.99	287,072.94	230,313.05
29-3635	Library Donations	13,509.38	12,550.00	26,059.38	13,776.77	12,282.61
29-3636, 3642	Senior Citizen Donations	16,979.00	17,797.00	34,776.00	12,393.41	22,382.59
29-3639	Board of Health - Donation Stockwell Fund	78.98		78.98		78.98
29-3641	Whip Hill Trust	0.00	10,950.00	10,950.00	10,000.00	950.00
29-3643	School Gifts & Donations	5,860.61	13,029.50	18,890.11	11,136.32	7,753.79
29-3645,3646	The Mugar Group	2,543.49		2,543.49		2,543.49
29-3647	225 Fallon Road Traffic Study	0.00	17,620.41	17,620.41	17,620.41	0.00
29-3648A	Stoneham High School Music Club	526.47		526.47		526.47
29-3649A	SHS Alumni Donations	7,553.88		7,553.88		7,553.88

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Account Number	Individual Gifts & Donations (continued)	Balance 7/1/2006	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/2007
29-3400	Impact Study for T Mobile Cell Tower	1,183.69		1,183.69		1,183.69
29-3440	Franklin Street Dunkin Donuts Study	255.45		255.45		255.45
29-3441	Highland Village Townhomes	859.40		859.40		859.40
29-3446	Friends of Funds	6,854.05		6,854.05		6,854.05
29-3453	Homework Club Donations	2,401.99	10,320.00	12,721.99	8,622.56	4,099.43
29-3483	Memorial Day Parade Donations	1,347.99		1,347.99		1,347.99
29-3488	Athletic Hall of Fame Donations	10,922.98	50.00	10,972.98	39.57	10,933.41
29-3489	High School Field Restoration	68,531.44		68,531.44		68,531.44
29-3490	Coca Cola Scoreboard	10,976.45		10,976.45		10,976.45
29-3498A	RCN Grant	125,929.56	38,000.00	163,929.56	70,435.82	93,493.74
29-3602	Ralph J. Arsenault Memorial Award	100.00		100.00		100.00
	Total Gifts & Donations	**714,382.61**	**661,254.02**	**1,375,636.63**	**582,084.16**	**793,552.47**

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Account Number	Capital Projects	Balance 7/1/2006	Received FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/2007	Short-Term BANs Issued
30-3979	Fire Station Design	82,000.00		82,000.00	60,000.00	22,000.00	
30-3980	Refurbish Fire Engine #4	350.00		350.00		350.00	
30-3918	M.S. and H.S. Roof and Boiler	17,794.74		17,794.74	17,794.74	0.00	
30-3927	Construct Sidewalks	35,979.04		35,979.04	29,271.96	6,707.08	
30-3928	MWRA Water Rehabilitation Projects	582.30	1,360,800.00	1,361,382.30		1,361,382.30	
30-3929	MWRA Sewer Rehabilitation Projects	408,000.00		408,000.00		408,000.00	
30-3931	Fire Station Ventilation	26,932.90		26,932.90	26,829.00	103.90	
30-3981	Purchase Police Cruisers	11,490.53		11,490.53		11,490.53	
30-3960	Renovate/Construct Schools	545,671.63		545,671.63	56,537.14	489,134.49	
30-3959	Renovate Police Station	28,900.09		28,900.09	9,511.02	19,389.07	
30-3974	Replace East School Boiler	2,277.52		2,277.52		2,277.52	
30-3978	Repair East School Roof	2,140.00		2,140.00		2,140.00	
30-3967	Purchase Fire Pick up Truck	5,858.66		5,858.66	2,672.45	3,186.21	
30-3976	Drainage at 41 Elm Street	25,000.00		25,000.00		25,000.00	
30-3954	Replace School Doors/Roof	660.00		660.00		660.00	
30-3982	Firefighter Turnout Gear	0.00	26,829.00	26,829.00	19,980.00	6,849.00	
30-3983	High School Roof Repair	0.00	215,000.00	215,000.00	215,000.00	0.00	
30-3984	HS & MS Repairs	0.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	60,161.97	189,838.03	
	Total Capital Projects	**1,193,637.41**	**1,852,629.00**	**3,046,266.41**	**497,758.28**	**2,548,508.13**	**0.00**

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SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS
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Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
80-3650	Cemetery Perpetual Care-Principal	874,733.48	15,425.00		890,158.48		890,158.48
80-3651	Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower-Principal	13,909.70			13,909.70	100.00	13,809.70
80-3652	Thomas Henry Jones Scholarship Fund-Principal	2,000.00			2,000.00		2,000.00
80-3657	Dale Cemetery	-	25.00		25.00		25.00
80-3658	Mary Anna Hill Library-Principal	5,000.00			5,000.00		5,000.00
80-3659	Dike Library	-	2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00
80-3660	Tredick Library	-	2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00
80-3661	Richardson Library	-	100.00		100.00		100.00
80-3662	Trowbridge Library	-	6,000.00		6,000.00		6,000.00
80-3663	Peyton Library-Principal	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00
80-3664	Best Library	-	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00
80-3665	Marsh Library	-	34,000.00		34,000.00		34,000.00
80-3667	MacDonald Medal Fund	-	130.00		130.00		130.00
80-3668	Trowbridge Scholarship	-	5,500.00		5,500.00		5,500.00
80-3672	Sidney A. Hill Welfare Fund-Principal	3,000.00			3,000.00		3,000.00
80-3673	Town Hall Organ Fund	-	10.00		10.00		10.00
80-3674	Alice J. Durgin Welfare Fund-Principal	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00
80-3675	Annie Brown Library-Principal	10,000.00			10,000.00		10,000.00
80-3684	Apalakis Library Trust	77,500.00			77,500.00		77,500.00
80-3703	Harry W. Lister Scholarship	-	100,000.00		100,000.00		100,000.00
	Sub Total Fund 80 - Non-Expendable	**988,143.18**	**168,190.00**	**-**	**1,156,333.18**	**100.00**	**1,156,233.18**

Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
81-3653	Jones Scholarship	922.79	-	192.50	1,115.29		1,115.29
81-3654	Cemetery Perpetual Care-Income	241,450.64		71,608.84	313,059.48	58,000.00	255,059.48
81-3655	Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower-Income	17,590.90	-	2,083.09	19,673.99	202.38	19,471.61
81-3657	Dale Cemetery	540.39	-	35.60	575.99	25.00	550.99
81-3658	Mary Anna Hill Library	26,977.42	-	2,100.06	29,077.48	5,000.00	24,077.48
81-3659	Dike Library	10,302.10	-	678.49	10,980.59	2,000.00	8,980.59
81-3660	Tredick Library	14,918.35	-	982.49	15,900.84	2,000.00	13,900.84
81-3661	Richardson Library	266.84		17.59	284.43	100.00	184.43
81-3662	Trowbridge Library	26,202.76		1,725.71	27,928.47	6,000.00	21,928.47
81-3663	Peyton Library	13,961.95		1,017.07	14,979.02	2,989.70	11,989.32
81-3664	Best Library	5,984.50		394.14	6,378.64	3,000.00	3,378.64
81-3665	Marsh Library	48,007.20		3,161.74	51,168.94	34,000.00	17,168.94
81-3666	Davis Library	5,977.75		393.71	6,371.46		6,371.46
81-3667	MacDonald Medal Fund	7,491.95		493.40	7,985.35	130.00	7,855.35
81-3668	Trowbridge Scholarship	5,924.27		386.93	6,311.20	5,650.00	661.20
81-3669	Qualters Scholarship	28,413.68		3,678.44	32,092.12	1,500.00	30,592.12
81-3670	Best Scholarship Fund	21,595.53		1,398.44	22,993.97	1,000.00	21,993.97
81-3671	Stockwell Shade Tree	15,760.96		1,038.00	16,798.96		16,798.96
81-3672	Hill Welfare	40,722.00		2,879.53	43,601.53		43,601.53
81-3673	Town Hall Organ Fund	428.76	1,500.00	28.25	1,957.01	1,510.00	447.01
81-3674	Durgin Welfare	23,933.29		1,642.11	25,575.40		25,575.40

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81-3675	Annie Brown Library	32,871.81		2,870.08	35,741.89		35,741.89
81-3676	Stoneham War Memorial	3,987.31		265.21	4,252.52	105.86	4,146.66
81-3678	Helen Wolcott Stockwell Trust (COA)	5,438.21	10,000.00	330.55	15,768.76	15,750.00	18.76
81-3678A	Helen Wolcott Stockwell (BOH)	11,549.47		481.07	12,030.54	11,890.11	140.43
81-3678B	Helen Wolcott Stockwell (BOS-ADMIN)	10,243.33	3,500.00	773.06	14,516.39		14,516.39
81-3679	Town Scholarship Fund	6,355.60	324.48	415.41	7,095.49		7,095.49
81-3682	Town Education Fund	5,322.41	384.38	348.03	6,054.82		6,054.82
81-3684	Apalakis Library Trust	29,855.24		7,129.21	36,984.45		36,984.45
81-3685	Italian Development	12,604.90	19,000.00	1,693.00	33,297.90	27,277.80	6,020.10
81-3686	Robert O'keefe Trust Fund	4,046.23	200.00	260.54	4,506.77	350.00	4,156.77
81-3701	Howard Watson Memorial Scholarship	27,385.00	2,500.00	1,879.65	31,764.65	750.00	31,014.65
81-3702	Mark Robert Kanchuga Memorial	15,754.36		1,041.40	16,795.76	700.00	16,095.76
81-3703	Harry W. Lister Scholarship	120,293.02		7,883.22	128,176.24	102,000.00	26,176.24
81-3704	Christopher Molloy Memorial Scholarship	25,804.80		1,684.56	27,489.36	1,000.00	26,489.36
81-3705	Stoneham High School Alumni	23,964.56	500.00	1,597.48	26,062.04	1,000.00	25,062.04
81-3706	Pauline Caroli Folsom Memorial	3,931.82	3,000.00	281.95	7,213.77	1,500.00	5,713.77
81-3707	Paul Mannke & Patricia Sullivan Memorial	(304.56)	1,000.00	(112.10)	583.34		583.34
81-3708	Weiss Family Scholarship	7,072.34	6,000.00	489.75	13,562.09	6,000.00	7,562.09
81-3709	Patricia A. Hoyt Memorial Scholarship	9,515.31		635.80	10,151.11		10,151.11
81-3710	Maureen McNulty Scholarhip	148.53		9.75	158.28		158.28
81-3711	Joseph A. Viglietti Scholarship	1,453.94	1,000.00	101.69	2,555.63	500.00	2,055.63
81-3712	Joseph A. Marion E. Marrone Memorial	145.96		9.60	155.56		155.56
81-3713	Arthur J. Rotondi Sr. Mem Scholarship	10,314.26	500.00	666.67	11,480.93	1,000.00	10,480.93
81-3714	Karen Ferretti Adelizzi Memorial Scholar	12,357.72	470.00	843.86	13,671.58	3,000.00	10,671.58
81-3715	Leonard Barbo Family	5,889.86	50.00	376.14	6,316.00	500.00	5,816.00
81-3716	Edwin T. Casey, Sr. Memorial	509.37		35.34	544.71	500.00	44.71
81-3717	Elaine P. Cunniff Memorial Scholarship	65,681.94	250.00	4,319.96	70,251.90	1,000.00	69,251.90
81-3718	Emily Elizabeth Dunn Mem Scholarship	16,114.13	250.00	1,054.46	17,418.59	250.00	17,168.59
81-3719	Paul J. Palermo Sr. Memorial	355.21	250.00	22.34	627.55	150.00	477.55
81-3720	Dr. Michael Scarpitto Memorial	2,777.42	1,500.00	210.79	4,488.21	1,000.00	3,488.21
81-3721	Linda Reinold Sinclair Memorial	1,729.40	1,000.00	105.65	2,835.05	1,000.00	1,835.05
81-3722	Stoneham Women's Club	21,057.62		1,367.58	22,425.20	1,000.00	21,425.20
81-3723	Robert A. Wallace Memorial	7,963.33		507.03	8,470.36	1,000.00	7,470.36
81-3724	Woburn Court Scholarship	242.59		15.98	258.57		258.57
81-3725	Renato A. Paolini Scholarship	5,510.29		353.29	5,863.58	500.00	5,363.58
81-3726	Class of 1982	675.94		34.90	710.84	500.00	210.84
81-3727	Christoper N. Rockwood Scholarship	2,506.91	200.00	175.66	2,882.57		2,882.57
81-3728	Mary Ellen Lacey Memorial Scholarship	3,621.52	300.00	266.05	4,187.57	1,000.00	3,187.57
81-3729	Ruth A. Timpone Scholarship	4,431.20		292.76	4,723.96	100.00	4,623.96
81-3730	Robert Manson Memorial	1,847.24	3,000.00	175.41	5,022.65	3,000.00	2,022.65
81-3731	Stoneham Savings Bank	75.36		4.94	80.30		80.30
81-3732	McKeown Scholarship Fund	15,678.34	15,000.00	753.78	31,432.12	15,000.00	16,432.12
81-3733	Kelly Conlon Memorial	3,291.06		194.97	3,486.03	1,000.00	2,486.03
81-3734	Class of 1945 Scholarship	512.89		23.82	536.71	500.00	36.71
81-3735	John Pul Carbone Memorial	1,514.03		96.92	1,610.95	1,500.00	110.95
81-3736	Class of 1972	1,001.75	1,000.00	51.83	2,053.58	500.00	1,553.58

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Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
81-3737	Betty Rand Church Memorial Scholarship	0.00	22,051.80	1,312.13	23,363.93	1,500.00	21,863.93
81-3738	Pierre "Bo" Erhard Memorial	0.00	500.00	0.03	500.03		500.03
	Sub Total Fund 81 - Expendable	**1,100,473.00**	**95,230.66**	**139,267.33**	**1,334,970.99**	**327,430.85**	**1,007,540.14**

Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
82-3683	Health Trust Fund	3,812.82	-	251.11	4,063.93		4,063.93
	Sub Total Fund 82 - Expendable	**3,812.82**	**-**	**251.11**	**4,063.93**	**-**	**4,063.93**

Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
83-3676	Stabilization Fund	1,161,751.68	-	52,777.22	1,214,528.90	550,000.00	664,528.90
	Sub Total Fund 83 - Expendable	**1,161,751.68**	**-**	**52,777.22**	**1,214,528.90**	**550,000.00**	**664,528.90**

Account Number	Description	Balance 7/1/06	Deposits FY 07	Investment Income FY 07	Total Available	Expended FY 07	Balance 6/30/07
84-3677	Conservation Fund-Ford Foundation	1,710.34	-	112.66	1,823.00		1,823.00
	Sub Total Fund 84 - Expendable	**1,710.34**	**-**	**112.66**	**1,823.00**	**-**	**1,823.00**
	Trust Fund Grand Total	**3,255,891.02**	**263,420.66**	**192,408.32**	**3,711,720.00**	**877,530.85**	**2,834,189.15**

Town of Stoneham
DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE
As of June 30, 2007

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014-2023	Total
Golf Course(Par 3)-Construction	66,275	63,400	60,475	57,500	54,500	51,500		353,650
Senior Center Renovation	104,125	100,450	96,775	93,013	89,250	85,400	233,100	802,113
Town Common	88,052	80,416	77,909	75,402	72,830	70,191	365,388	830,187
Police Station	349,161	338,615	328,060	317,504	306,671	295,559	1,538,575	3,474,144
Town Drainage	80,038	78,663	76,413	74,788	73,038	71,163	547,863	1,001,963
Street Lights	27,625	26,938	25,813					80,375
Replace DPW Roof	16,404	16,084	15,738	15,278	14,879	14,469	105,516	198,367
Drainage at Elm/Franklin	2,835	2,779	2,718	2,637	2,567	2,496	17,249	33,281
East School Roof/Boiler	4,690	4,598	4,497	4,364	4,248	4,129	28,541	55,067
M. S. Roof and Doors ($848,530)	94,186	90,126	85,443	83,035	80,725	78,485	569,050	1,081,049
Refurbish Fire Engine #4 ($130,000)	47,999	44,989						92,988
Fire Pick up Truck ($60,000)	23,185	21,785	20,860					65,830
Fire Station Ventilation ($60,000)	6,662	6,382	6,197	6,025	5,860	5,700	43,400	80,226
H.S. Roof/M.S. Boiler ($400,000)	46,810	43,780	41,485	40,324	39,210	38,130	283,140	532,878
Sidewalk Repairs ($150,000)	45,535	42,875	40,117	38,526				167,053
Police Cruisers FY06 ($105,000)	32,283	29,393	28,191	27,073				116,939
H.S. Bleachers ($160,000)	24,340	22,150	18,410	17,851	16,315	15,835	90,310	205,212
H.S. Roof ($215,000)	25,588	23,468	22,774	22,129	20,510	19,950	151,900	286,318
H.S. and M.S. Repairs ($250,000)	28,114	26,924	26,137	25,406	24,705	24,025	178,050	333,361
Drainage at MacArthur/Spring St ($400,000)--ESTIMATE		20,000	60,000	58,000	56,000	54,000	282,000	530,000
Arena Roof ($250,000)--ESTIMATE		12,500	37,500	36,250	35,000	33,750	176,250	331,250
Amount Funded within Tax Levy	1,113,904	1,096,311	1,075,511	995,104	896,306	864,781	4,610,331	10,652,249
School Renovation Projects (South School)	826,875	805,625	784,375	761,875	739,375	717,375	4,888,125	9,523,625
School Renovation Projects (Central School)	1,075,750	1,044,875	1,014,000	988,000	962,000	934,375	6,366,750	12,385,750
School Renov. Proj. (Robinhood)	960,450	943,950	916,950	897,450	876,450	853,950	6,574,350	12,023,550
School Renov. Proj. (Colonial)	904,905	888,030	869,805	845,505	824,445	802,845	6,764,445	11,899,980
Subtotal	3,767,980	3,682,480	3,585,130	3,492,830	3,402,270	3,308,545	24,593,670	45,832,905
less: SBA Reimbursement	(1,899,826)	(1,683,058)	(1,683,058)	(1,683,058)	(1,683,058)	(1,683,058)	(14,671,408)	(24,986,524)
Amount Funded by Debt Exclusion	1,868,154	1,999,422	1,902,072	1,809,772	1,719,212	1,625,487	9,922,262	20,846,381
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project FY2004	52,679							52,679
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project FY2005	44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880				179,520
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project (Phase 6)--ESTIMATE	44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880			224,400
Amount Funded by Sewer Rates	142,439	89,760	89,760	89,760	44,880	0	0	456,599
MWRA Water Rehab. Project--ESTIMATE	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	544,320	1,360,800
Amount Funded by Water Rates	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	136,080	544,320	1,360,800
	5,160,403	5,004,631	4,886,481	4,713,774	4,479,536	4,309,406	29,748,321	58,302,553

To the Residents of the Town of Stoneham

The year 2007 in the Town Clerk's Office continued on an accelerated pace with a record amount of revenue totaling $144,561.50 and 8,811 cash transactions accounted for.

As new regulations fall into place regarding US Passports, this office executed 1,186 more passports in 2007 then in 2006, with a total number of sales totaling of 2,627 which relates to $78,810.00. Also we added to our list of services in 2007, passport photos; we processed 697 photos which generated another $6,970.00. The passport service as I have mentioned in the past is a great revenue generator for the town of Stoneham.

The Town Clerk's Office was responsible for the execution of an Annual Town Election and a Special Town Election. This office collected, certified and returned seven statewide petitions late in the year which you will see on the General Election Ballot in November 2008.

In mid December the State Legislature voted to change the date of the 2008 Presidential Primary Election from March 4, 2008 to February 5, 2008. This news didn't coma as a complete surprise but until this legislation passed we were on hold as to what action had to be taken a month earlier than in the past.

Along with the above news we had to prepare for the 2008 Annual Town Census where we mailed just short of 10,000 pieces of mail to all residents of the town. The Annual Census has an edit rate of approximately 25 – 30 % this enables us to have the best possible record for the town.

The total number of new vital records that were recorded in the town clerk office for 2007 are as follows; Births – 218; Deaths – 298; Marriages - 113.

The total roster of registered voters as of December 31, 2007 is as follows: Unenrolled – 7,498; Democrats – 5,111; Republican – 1,672: American Independent -2; Green Party USA – 1; Green-Rainbow – 9; Interdependent 3rd Party – 9; Libertarian – 46; Reform – 3; Socialist – 1; Timesizing Not Down – 1;Working Families – 2, the total of register voters is;14,355.

As you possibly can imagine, my staff has very little down time. Without their professionalism and attentiveness the tremendous workload that our office handles could not be accomplished as well as it is. I want to thank each one of my staff and continue to most effectively describe my Office as: Productive, Busy, but most of all great "Team Work". Good work ethics are always encouraged, and will remain at the forefront, as we work together as a "Team", while maintaining the integrity of the Office, and acting in the best interest in the Town. We all look forward to serving you in 2008.

Sincerely,
John J. Hanright, Town Clerk

2007 Town Clerk's Office Revenue Collected		
Description	Transactions	Amount Collected
Birth Certificate-Amended	1	$30.00
Birth Certificate-Long Form	2364	$23,640.00
Birth Certificate-Short Form	144	$864.00
Burial Permit	122	$1,220.00
Business Certificates	131	$5,240.00
Business Certificate-Certified Copy	3	$15.00
Business Certificate-Change	8	$80.00
Business Certificate-Update	1	$5.00
Bylaw Violation-$25.00	3	$75.00
Bylaw Violation-$50.00	2	$100.00
Bylaw Violation-$100.00	3	$300.00
Bylaw Violation-$250.00	2	$500.00
Certification Letter-BOA	12	$120.00
Certification Letter-BOS	2	$20.00
Certification Letter-PB	10	$100.00
Copy .50	241	$120.50
Death Certificates	888	$8,880.00
Dog License-Spayed/Neutered	790	$7,900.00
Dog License	57	$855.00
Dog Late Fees @ $5.00	136	$680.00
Dog Late Fee by Month @ $1.00	187	$187.00
Kennel License	11	$275.00
Dog List	2	$50.00
Gasoline Storage Permit	17	$1,275.00
Marriage Certificate	154	$1,540.00
Marriage Intention/License	92	$2,760.00
Notary Oath Fee	50	$750.00
Passport	2627	$78,810.00
Passport Photo	697	$6,970.00
Raffle Permit	8	$80.00
Street List (Current Year)	14	$350.00
Town Code	2	$150.00
Voter list Extract	4	$40.00
Voter List on Disk	3	$300.00
Voter Registration Card	4	$20.00
Zoning Bylaws	4	$140.00
Zoning Map	15	$120.00
TOTALS	8811	$144,561.50

2007 Annual Town Election Results								
Town Clerk - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	74	79	122	61	70	103	86	**595**
John J. Hanright	288	315	465	261	401	342	345	**2417**
Write-ins	4	2	3	2	3	2	4	**20**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

Board of Selectmen - Vote for Two								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	151	155	190	111	175	169	133	**1084**
John F. DePinto	166	191	294	176	235	247	248	**1557**
Anthony C. Kennedy	151	171	278	146	195	224	185	**1350**
Frank A. Vallarelli	262	271	416	214	339	250	293	**2045**
Write-ins	2	4	2	1	4	4	11	**28**
Total	**732**	**792**	**1180**	**648**	**948**	**894**	**870**	**6064**
								6064

Board of Health - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	21	28	29	23	30	39	28	**198**
Daniel T. Doherty	172	162	346	139	222	177	189	**1407**
Ernest P. Sacco	152	180	185	149	190	207	186	**1249**
Matthew Whooley	21	26	29	13	32	23	32	**176**
Write-ins	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	**2**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

Moderator - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	136	132	191	101	139	146	139	**984**
Michael J. Rotondi	227	259	394	222	328	292	292	**2014**
Write-ins	3	5	5	1	7	9	4	**34**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

Board of Assessors - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	128	132	178	98	115	142	134	**927**
Richard D. Mangerian	236	262	410	226	357	303	298	**2092**
Write-ins	2	2	2	0	2	2	3	**13**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

School Committee - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	28	46	36	27	42	48	47	**274**
Stephen Dapkiewicz	28	23	35	26	44	27	21	**204**
Shelly A. MacNeill	110	128	107	93	152	156	153	**899**
Michelle A. Meagher	74	71	80	67	95	61	67	**515**
Joseph C. Viselli	126	128	330	111	141	155	147	**1138**
Write-ins	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	**2**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

Library Trustee - Vote for Two								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	267	292	373	191	259	291	289	**1962**
Susan K. Doucette	243	264	409	234	357	315	296	**2118**
Susan Waldman Fixma	221	235	395	223	329	287	284	**1974**
Write-ins	1	1	3	0	3	1	1	**10**
Totals	**732**	**792**	**1180**	**648**	**948**	**894**	**870**	**6064**
								6064

Planning Board - Vote for One								
Candidate	**Pct 1**	**Pct. 2**	**Pct. 3**	**Pct.4**	**Pct. 5**	**Pct. 6**	**Pct. 7**	**Total**
Blanks	121	132	176	103	128	148	130	**938**
August S. Niewenhous	242	259	410	221	341	297	299	**2069**
Write-ins	3	5	4	0	5	2	6	**25**
Total	**366**	**396**	**590**	**324**	**474**	**447**	**435**	**3032**
								3032

2007 Override Election Vote By Precinct & Results								
Hour	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
7:00 - 8:00	36	55	51	42	77	55	68	384
8:00 - 9:00	87	112	115	97	142	122	106	781
9:00 - 10:00	136	164	181	161	208	165	176	1191
10:00 - 11:00	204	229	278	208	261	219	220	1619
11:00 - 12:00	248	271	355	270	337	280	274	2035
12:00 -1:00	294	312	401	318	424	322	327	2398
1:00 - 2:00	349	363	456	362	471	372	373	2746
2:00 - 3:00	375	395	508	404	508	425	440	3055
3:00 - 4:00	439	453	589	443	568	467	487	3446
4:00 - 5:00	494	517	682	505	656	534	546	3934
5:00 - 6:00	547	590	784	583	753	637	615	4509
6:00 - 7:00	622	666	892	652	828	750	705	5115
7:00 - 8:00	684	755	988	710	897	834	767	5635
Total Voted	684	755	988	710	897	834	767	5635
Reg. Voters	1922	2024	2287	1940	2196	2081	1922	14372
Percentage	35.59%	37.30%	43.20%	36.60%	40.85%	40.08%	39.91%	39.21%
Tally of Votes								
	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yes	327	361	481	318	406	407	399	2699
No	357	394	507	392	491	427	368	2936
Totals	684	755	988	710	897	834	767	5635
								5635

Minutes for Annual Town Meeting

Tuesday, April 3, 2007

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, at seven o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles of this warrant:

Article 1. To choose the following officers:

One (1) Town Clerk for three (3) years.

Two (2) Selectmen for three (3) years.

One (1) Board of Health Member for three (3) years.

One (1) Moderator for two (2) years.

One (1) Board of Assessors Member for three (3) years.

One (1) School Committee Members for three (3) years.

Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years.

One (1) Planning Board Member for five (5) years.

All on one ballot.

The polls for the Annual Town Election shall be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

For consideration of the following Articles, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet in the **Town Hall** at 7:30 o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 7, 2007, in accordance with provisions of Article II, section 2-3 of the By-Laws of the Town of Stoneham.

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 474 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael Rotondi at 7:44 PM. He thanked the Town's organist Bruce Netten. Moderator Rotondi then asked for a moment of silence for JoAnn Anderson, Robert Wellman & Warren McCarthy who had passed away this past year. Moderator Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance and the warrant was read.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Board of Selectmen

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the town may determine.

Passes Unanimous

Article 3. To hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

Board of Selectmen

Article 3. **Voted** that the Town hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2007/2008 fiscal year.

Board of Selectmen

Article 4. **Voted** that the town fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the boards of the Town for the 2007/2008 fiscal year as follows:

Town Moderator	$200
Board of Assessors	$1,200
Board of Selectmen	$3,000
Town Clerk	$56,773

Passes Per Moderator

John DeGeorge 148 Franklin Street made a motion to advance article 40 to follow Article 4.

⅔ Vote Required
Fails Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 5. To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to amend Section 6.7 SIGNS of the Town of Stoneham Zoning By-Laws by amending or adding the following sections:

Section 6.7.5 *Prohibited Signs*:

(b) Off-premise signs and billboards, except for non-commercial signs and signage permitted pursuant to Sections 6.7.6 (e) and 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.6 *Permitted Signs*:

(e) Off-Premise and Billboard Signs are permitted by Special Permit in the Commercial 1 Zoning District, subject to the procedures and requirements in Section 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.8 *Off-Premise and Billboard Sign – Procedures*:

Section 6.7.8.1 Applications: Off-Premise and Billboard Signs shall be permitted in the Commercial 1 and Commercial 3 Zoning Districts only by grant of a Special Permit issued by the Planning Board. Any person desiring a Special Permit under this section shall submit a Special Permit application to the Planning Board together with a filing fee of $1,000.00 and ten (10) copies of the application materials as outlined below:

(a) Site Plan and area maps identifying the following features:

i. Location of any existing buildings, parking spaces and traffic circulation pattern on the subject parcel;

ii. Proximity of nearest residentially used and residentially zoned property utilizing current aerial photographs and Stoneham Assessors Maps;

iii. Specific location of proposed Off-Premise or Billboard Sign; and,

iv. Details of proposed buffer/landscaping area around signage including species and caliper of trees and/or shrubbery.

(b) Off-Premise or Billboard Sign details shall include the following information:

i. Detailed dimensions and area of any proposed single or multi-faced sign;

ii. Detail sheet of any proposed support structure specifying dimensions and construction type. Upon request by the Planning Board or the Building Inspector, the Applicant shall provide a structural analysis of the support structure stamped by a licensed structural engineer; and,

iii. Lighting proposal, including cut sheets of all proposed lighting fixtures to be either attached to the sign, structure or affixed to the ground;

(c) Additional Requirements:

i. Authorization from the property owner (i.e., lease, etc.) granting permission to install proposed signage;

ii. Authorization, as necessary, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or the Federal Government; and,

iii. Any additional information as may be required by the Planning Board to assist the Board in determining whether the application complies with the intent and requirements of this Section 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.8.2 Dimensional Restrictions and Design Guidelines: All signage proposals shall be designed in compliance with the following requirements:

1. Signage shall be permitted in the Commercial 1 Zoning District only, provided, however, that said signage shall be located no further than 50' from any interstate layout;

2. Signage shall not have excessive lighting nor shall it have any mechanical or moving parts which would, in the opinion of the Board, have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists. This shall not preclude an applicant from proposing signage which allows for more than one advertisement to be displayed, such as a so-called "tri-vision" sign, at the discretion of the Planning Board;

3. Signage shall not create a visual impediment or impact to any abutting or adjacent residentially zoned or used property;

4. No portable signs shall be permitted. All signage must be permanently affixed to a main support structure;

5. There shall be no more than one Off-Premises or Billboard Sign permitted for every 1500 linear feet of Commercial 1 frontage which directly abuts an interstate layout. This calculation shall be based on the current Zoning Map and such calculation shall be submitted by the Applicant to the Planning Board as part of the application materials;

6. An Off-Premises or Billboard sign may be double sided. An individual sign or sign face shall not exceed 672 square feet in total area and shall not exceed 14 feet in height x 48 feet in width.

7. An Off-Premises or Billboard sign may be mounted on a pedestal or other support structure which may not exceed 40 feet in height. The height of such structure shall be calculated from the base of the support structure or sign, whichever is affixed to the ground (exclusive of structural footings), to the highest point of the support structure;

8. Signage lighting or other illumination related to the proposed sign shall not project, glare or negatively impact abutting properties and shall not shine onto abutting roadways;

9. The Applicant shall provide a 10' wide landscaped buffer around the base of the support structure to minimize any visual impacts.

Section 6.7.8.3 Criteria for Approval: The Planning Board shall not approve any applications for a Special Permit under Section 6.7.8 unless it finds that all of the following conditions are met or are incorporated into any Special Permit decision:

1. The specific site is an appropriate location for the proposed sign and the design and layout complies with the standards set forth in these procedures and requirements;

2. The proposed sign will not adversely affect the abutting neighborhood or have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists;

3. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.2 "Certificate of Insurance";

4. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.3 "Location of sign; inclusion of permit number on sign";

5. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.5 "Maintenance; inspection";

6. All permits are subject to any necessary approvals and conditions issued by the State of Massachusetts or Federal Government; and,

7. The Planning Board, in granting the special permit, shall attach such additional conditions and safeguards as it deems necessary.

Section 6.7.8.4 Sign Maintenance: If a sign permitted under Section 6.7.8 is abandoned or is in disrepair for a period of ninety (90) days, it shall be cause for its removal. The Building Inspector shall notify the owner and/or manager of the sign and property owner in writing, specifying a forty-five (45) day period to remove or repair said sign otherwise upon expiration of the forty-five (45) day

period the sign permit shall be revoked. If the sign has not been removed or repaired within the time period to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector, the Building Inspector

shall cause the sign to be removed forthwith. All expenses for the removal shall be borne by the sign owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector.

If the Building Inspector determines that a sign is an immediate threat to public safety, irrespective of any stays granted to the sign and/or property owner, the Building Inspector may cause any sign, abandoned or not, and any portion of its support structure if deemed part of the public threat, to be immediately removed, and/or the threatened public area cordoned off. All expenses for protecting the public, including the removal of said sign or stabilization of the public safety threat, shall be borne by the sign owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector. A sign which is not abandoned may be returned to its original position, but only after repairs have been made and the public safety threat abated, to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector.

Section 6.7.8.5 Surety: The Applicant shall provide a financial surety to the Town which will cover the cost of the removal of any sign which is found to be abandoned or is in disrepair, as determined under Section 6.7.8.4. The Applicant shall deposit with the Town Accountant a surety in the amount of which shall be determined by the Planning Board at the time of the application. Upon removal of the sign by the Town (if required), any remaining funds shall be returned to the Applicant.

Commercial I

Sign Type Allowed	Permit Required	Max. Sign Area	Max Height Ft.	Front Setback	Side Setback	Max. Number	Comment
Off-Premise & Billboard Signage - Permitted in Commercial I District	Y* *Permitted by Special Permit	672 SF per sign face - Not to exceed 14'x48' per sign face	40' support structure	NA	NA	See Section 6.7.8	See Section 6.7.8 for additional restrictions and guidelines

This article shall be conditioned upon and subject to a Development Agreement being entered into by the Town through its Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator.

Or to act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 5. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #5.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone Passes Per Moderator

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code,
Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws by adding to Section 4.1.3 "Uses Permitted in All Districts" the following as Section 4.1.3.4: Motor vehicle parking serving uses not accessory to the public building or public use in the parking area of the public building or public use.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Cameron Bain 12 Highland Avenue made a motion to amend Article 6 as follows:

By adding the words "except on park land or on open space and recreation land"

Article 6. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code,
Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws by adding to Section 4.1.3 "Uses Permitted in All Districts" the following as Section 4.1.3.4: Motor vehicle parking serving uses not accessory to the public building or public use in the parking area of the public building or public use except on park land or on open space and recreation.

Motion to Amend
Passes Per Moderator
Main Motion As Amended
⅔ Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered
*** Approved by Attorney General July 16, 2007**

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 8, Motor Vehicles and Traffic by adding the following:

Section 8-10 – Parking at Town Owned Property for Uses Not Accessory to the Public Building or Public Use – License Required by Board of Selectmen

No parking shall be allowed in a Town owned parking area which is accessory to a municipal building regardless of which Town entity has jurisdiction over said Town owned property, unless a municipal parking license has been granted by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing. This Section 8-10 shall not apply to Town parking lots provided and used for public parking purposes or for parking pursuant to a special permit granted pursuant to the Town of Stoneham Zoning Bylaws.

(a) The application for a municipal parking license must be made by or jointly with the Town
entity having jurisdiction over the Town parking area.

(b) Notice of the public hearing of the Board of Selectmen shall be given by publication in a

newspaper of general circulation in the Town once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of the hearing. Notice shall also be sent by mail, postage prepaid to all direct abutters to the subject municipal parking lot. All costs for notices shall be paid by the private party seeking to use the subject Town parking lot.

(c) The application for a municipal parking license shall contain such information, which may include plans, that the Board of Selectmen deems relevant to its determination.

(d) The Board of Selectmen shall make its determination as to whether to grant or deny an application for a municipal parking license based on the totality of circumstances including the Town and public interest. The Board of Selectmen may attach conditions to the grant of a municipal parking license.

(e) No grant of a municipal parking license by the Board of Selectmen, including any condition(s) attached to such license, shall require the Town entity having jurisdiction over said Town parking area to enter into any rental or license with a party seeking to use the subject Town parking. Jurisdiction over the Town property, including the financial terms and conditions of the rental or licensing of said Town property, shall remain with the Town entity having jurisdiction over said property in accordance with the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act. Nothing in this Section 8-10 shall effect or diminish any legal requirements under applicable law with respect to the use of Town property or procurement thereof.

(f) The Board of Selectmen may make such regulations consistent with this bylaw that it deems necessary to effectuate its purpose.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 7. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 8, Motor Vehicles and Traffic by adding the following:

Section 8-10 – Parking at Town Owned Property for Uses Not Accessory to the Public Building or Public Use – License Required by Board of Selectmen

No parking shall be allowed in a Town owned parking area which is accessory to a municipal building regardless of which Town entity has jurisdiction over said Town owned property, unless a municipal parking license has been granted by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing. This Section 8-10 shall not apply to Town parking lots provided and used for public parking purposes or for parking pursuant to a special permit granted pursuant to the Town of Stoneham Zoning Bylaws.

(a) The application for a municipal parking license must be made by or jointly with the Town
entity having jurisdiction over the Town parking area.

(b) Notice of the public hearing of the Board of Selectmen shall be given by publication in a
newspaper of general circulation in the Town once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of the hearing. Notice shall also be sent by mail, postage prepaid to all direct abutters to the subject municipal parking lot. All costs for notices shall be paid by the private party seeking to use the subject Town parking lot.

(c) The application for a municipal parking license shall contain such information, which may
include plans, that the Board of Selectmen deems relevant to its determination.

(d) The Board of Selectmen shall make its determination as to whether to grant or deny an
application for a municipal parking license based on the totality of circumstances including the Town and public interest. The Board of Selectmen may attach conditions to the grant of a municipal parking license.

(e) No grant of a municipal parking license by the Board of Selectmen, including any condition(s) attached to such license, shall require the Town entity having jurisdiction over said Town parking area to enter into any rental or license with a party seeking to use the subject Town parking. Jurisdiction over the Town property, including the financial terms and conditions of the rental or licensing of said Town property, shall remain with the Town entity having jurisdiction over said property in accordance with the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act. Nothing in this Section 8-10 shall effect or diminish any legal requirements under applicable law with respect to the use of Town property or procurement thereof.

(f) The Board of Selectmen may make such regulations consistent with this bylaw that it
deems necessary to effectuate its purpose.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered
***Approved by Attorney General July 16, 2007**

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to lease any Town owned land and/or building(s) under the jurisdiction of the Town Administrator, for a period of time greater than one (1) year but not to exceed ten (10) years, pursuant to the provision

of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and resolves of 1981, as amended).

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #8 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 8, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, by adding as Section 8-10 a bylaw allowing for valet parking on public ways upon a permit and/or license by the Board of Selectmen, including, but not limited to all requirements, conditions, fees, and procedures therefore.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 9. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #9.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the lease of the vehicle bays (or a portion thereof) at the site of the Department of Public Works facility located at 16 Pine Street for a period of up to ten (10) years, pursuant to the provision of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and resolves of 1981, as amended) and the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 10. **Voted** that the Town authorize the lease of the vehicle bays (or a portion thereof) at the site of the Department of Public Works facility located at 16 Pine Street for a period of up to ten (10) years, pursuant to the provision of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and resolves of 1981, as amended) and the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Hand Count
Hand Count
Yes No
114 81
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the lease of a parcel of land off Fallon Road, said land acquired by the Town as part of a taking by the Commonwealth.

Said parcel of land is located between Fallon Road and the previous layout of Fallon Road, and contains 2,609 square feet more or less and is more particularly described as follows:

NORTHERLY: twenty-four and five hundredths (24.05) feet as shown on a plan entitled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plan of Road in the Town of Stoneham Middlesex County Altered and laid out as a State Highway by the Department of Public Works" dated March 29, 1972, drawn by Frederick Esper R.L.S. and recorded with said Registry as Plan No 350 of 1972;

NORTHEASTERLY: seventy-six and sixty-two hundredths (76.62) feet as shown on said Plan;

SOUTHERLY: forty-one and twenty-five hundredths (41.25) feet by Fallon Road (Not an accepted Town L.O.) as shown on said Plan and

WESTERLY: ninety and seventy-six hundredths (90.76) feet as shown on said Plan.

And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 11. Voted that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #11.

Indefinitely Postponed

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 2 – Administration, Article V – Committees, by adding section 2-37.3. "Capital Improvement Advisory Committee" as follows:

Section 2-37.3 Capital Improvement Advisory Committee

(a) the Board of Selectmen shall establish and appoint a Capital Improvement Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee"), composed of:

(i) one member of the Board of Selectmen as chosen by the Board;
(ii) one member of the Planning Board as chosen by the Board;
(iii) one member of the Finance and Advisory Board as chosen by that Board;
(iv) the School Superintendent or his designee;
(v) the Town Administrator; and
(vi) three residents of Stoneham selected by the Board of Selectmen

The Town Accountant shall assist the Committee in its work. The Committee shall choose its own officers.

(b) The Committee shall study proposed capital projects and improvements involving major non-recurring tangible assets and projects which:

(i) are purchased, or undertaken, at intervals of not less than five years;
(ii) have a useful life of at least five (5) years; and
(iii) incur a total cost over $5,000.

(c) All departments, officers, boards and committees, including the Selectmen and School Committee, shall, by February 28th of each year, give to the Committee, on forms prepared by the Committee, information concerning all anticipated projects requiring Town Meeting action during the ensuing five (5) years. The Committee shall consider the relative need, impact, timing and cost of these expenditures and the effect each will have on the financial position of the town.

(d) The Committee shall prepare an annual report recommending a Capital Improvement Budget for the next fiscal year and a Capital Improvement Program including recommended capital improvements for the following five (5) fiscal years. The report shall be submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to the annual town meeting to assist the Board of Selectmen with their recommended Capital Budget.

(e) The Committee's report and the Selectmen's recommended Capital Budget shall be published and made available in a manner consistent with the distribution of the
Finance and Advisory Board Town Meeting recommendations. The Committee shall file its report with the Town Clerk.

Board of Selectmen
Finance & Advisory Board

Richard Gregorio 17 Crystal Drive made a motion to amend as follows:
To change subsection (b) parts (ii) to read "have a useful life of at least three (3) years; and (iii) incur a total cost over $10,000

Article 12. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 2 – Administration, Article V – Committees, by adding section 2-37.3. "Capital Improvement Advisory Committee" as follows:

Section 2-37.3 Capital Improvement Advisory Committee

(a) the Board of Selectmen shall establish and appoint a Capital Improvement Advisory
Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee"), composed of:

(i) one member of the Board of Selectmen as chosen by the Board;
(ii) one member of the Planning Board as chosen by the Board;
(iii) one member of the Finance and Advisory Board as chosen by that Board;
(iv) the School Superintendent or his designee;
(v) the Town Administrator; and
(vi) three residents of Stoneham selected by the Board of Selectmen

The Town Accountant shall assist the Committee in its work. The Committee shall choose its
own officers.

(b) The Committee shall study proposed capital projects and improvements involving major
non-recurring tangible assets and projects which:

(i) are purchased, or undertaken, at intervals of not less than five years;
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(iii) incur a total cost over $10,000.

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Committee, shall, by February 28th of each year, give to the Committee, on forms prepared by the Committee, information concerning all anticipated projects requiring

Town Meeting action during the ensuing five (5) years. The Committee shall consider the relative need, impact, timing and cost of these expenditures and the effect each will have on the financial position of the town.

(d) The Committee shall prepare an annual report recommending a Capital Improvement
Budget for the next fiscal year and a Capital Improvement Program including recommended capital improvements for the following five (5) fiscal years. The report shall be submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to the annual town meeting to assist the Board of Selectmen with their recommended Capital Budget.

(e) The Committee's report and the Selectmen's recommended Capital Budget shall be published and made available in a manner consistent with the distribution of the
Finance and Advisory Board Town Meeting recommendations. The Committee shall file its report with the Town Clerk.

Majority Vote Required for Amendment
Passes Per Moderator
Motion As Amended
Passes Per Moderator

*** Approved by Attorney General July 16, 2007**

Kathleen Sullivan 91 Spring Street made a motion to convene the Special Town Meeting.
Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 10:34 PM for the Special Town Meeting.

Resumed Annual Town Meeting at 10:37PM.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the lease of the Senior Center Barn and a portion of the real property, including a portion of the parking area, at the Stoneham Senior Center for a period of up to ten (10) years, pursuant to the provision of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981, as amended) and the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 13. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #13.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Legislature to pass an act regarding the abolition of the Town of Stoneham Retirement Board and the transfer of all of the responsibilities and duties of the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement. The Town employees will remain employees of the Town and will not become employees of the Commonwealth. The Town will remain liable for any unfunded liability existing as of the date of the transfer, and shall annually reimburse the State Board of Retirement for the employer's normal cost, as determined by an actuary for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, of benefits earned during each year by such Town employees who are members of the state employees' retirement system. An actuary for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall determine such cost as a percentage of the payroll of the Town for such employees based upon the most recent actuarial valuation of the state retirement system. Said reimbursed amount shall be deposited in the pension reserve fund of the state employees' retirement system.

Said Act to further provide that the abolition of the Town of Stoneham Retirement Board and the transfer of the responsibilities and duties of said Board to the State Retirement Board shall not occur unless each of the following pre-requisites have been met:

1. The State Board of Retirement or such other appropriate office or division of

the State Treasurer's Office has provided the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham with: (i) a complete and detailed estimate of the annual administrative cost that will be charged the Town of Stoneham by the State Board of Retirement and/or the State Treasurer's Office for annually administering the Stoneham retirement system as part of or together with the State Board of
Retirement's existing system obligations, and (ii) a written description of how the State Board of Retirement proposes to administer the Stoneham retirement system.

2. An independent actuary, retained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of

Stoneham documents and certifies, in writing, that the administrative cost savings (not including investment management fees) resulting from the transfer of the above referenced responsibilities and duties from the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement will for the first complete fiscal year after such transfer be One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars or more when compared to the administrative costs (not including investment management fees) of the Stoneham Retirement Board as specified in the Board's budget for either said fiscal year or the prior fiscal year; and

3. Subject to the above prerequisites being satisfied, the Board of Selectmen

would have to vote to abolish the Stoneham Retirement Board and transfer the responsibilities and duties of the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement. Said vote must take place no later than six (6) months after the report of the independent actuary, referenced in subparagraph (2) above.

Said Act to further require the State Treasurer's Office and the State Board of Retirement to provide the information described in subparagraph (1) above to the Board

of Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham in a timely manner and to cooperate with the Town with respect to this matter.

The Board of Selectmen or its authorized agents are authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 14. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #14.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enter into an inter-municipal agreement(s) for mutual aid, pursuant to the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A, with the City of Medford, the City of Malden, the City of Melrose, the Town of Wakefield, and such other cities and towns as the Board of Health may deem to be the best interest of the Town of Stoneham, for a term(s) not to exceed twenty-five (25) years, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Health deems to be in the best interest of the town.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Health

Article 15. **Voted** that the Town authorize the Board of Health to enter into an inter-municipal agreement(s) for mutual aid, pursuant to the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A, with the City of Medford, the City of Malden, the City of Melrose, the Town of Wakefield, and such other cities and towns as the Board of Health may deem to be the best interest of the Town of Stoneham, for a term(s) not to exceed twenty-five (25) years, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Health deems to be in the best interest of the town.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the relevant of State law and/or petition the Commonwealth so that the employees and retirees of the Town can participate in the Commonwealth's Group Insurance Commission Plan or its equivalent. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 16. **Voted** that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to:
(i) accept, subject to enactment by the State Legislature on or before October 31, 2007, the State law which will allow employees and retirees of the Town to participate in the Commonwealth's Group Insurance Commission Plan or its equivalent, or (ii) petition the State Legislature for a Special Act allowing employees and retirees of the Town to participate in the Commonwealth's Group Insurance Plan or its equivalent if such a petition is deemed necessary and appropriate by the Board of Selectmen.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 18 of the Massachusetts General Laws which requires all retirees, their spouses and dependents who are enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to the retiree, their spouse or dependents, (or are eligible for coverage thereunder at no cost to the retiree, their spouse or dependents), enroll in a medicare health benefits supplement (extension) plan offered by the Town, provided that benefits under said supplement (extension) plan and medicare Part A and Part B together shall be of comparable actuarial value to those under the retiree's existing coverage.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 17. **Voted** that the town accept the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 18 of the Massachusetts General Laws which requires all retirees, their spouses and dependents who are enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to the retiree, their spouse or dependents, (or are eligible for coverage thereunder at no cost to the retiree, their spouse or dependents), enroll in a medicare health benefits supplement (extension) plan offered by the Town, provided that benefits under said supplement (extension) plan and medicare Part A and Part B together shall be of comparable actuarial value to those under the retiree's existing coverage.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Passes Per Moderator

Motion to Adjourn until Thursday, May 10th at 7:30PM.
Meeting adjourned at 11:15PM.

Annual Town Meeting reconvened on Thursday, May 10, 2007.
Tellers were appointed and the check in list showed that 352 voters were inside the meeting. Moderator Rotondi called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through permit fees charged for field usage at Broadway Park, Recreation Park, Pomeworth Park, East School Field, Colonial Park School Field, Robin Hood Field, and the High School Field to pay the costs of maintaining these fields, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $125,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 18. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through permit fees charged for field usage at Broadway Park, Recreation Park, Pomeworth Park, East School Field, Colonial Park School Field, Robin Hood Field, and the High School Field to pay the costs of maintaining these fields, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $125,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from operating the Arena concession, vending, and pro shop along with the receipts generated from advertisement fees at the Arena location to pay for the costs incurred in providing the concession, vending and pro shop services as well as help offset the repair and maintenance costs, utility costs, capital equipment costs, and building improvements for the Arena Facility and authorize expenditures by the Arena Manager, not to exceed $100,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 19. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from operating the Arena concession, vending, and pro shop along with the receipts generated from advertisement fees at the Arena location to pay for the costs incurred in providing the concession, vending and pro shop services as well as help offset the repair and maintenance costs, utility costs, capital equipment costs, and building improvements for the Arena Facility and authorize expenditures by the Arena Manager, not to exceed $100,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through the sale of compost and recycling bins and other recycling revenues to pay the cost of the Recycling Program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $100,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 20. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through the sale of compost and recycling bins and other recycling revenues to pay the cost of the Recycling Program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $100,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Senior Center main building only to pay the cleaning and maintenance costs of the Senior Center, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $30,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2007 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 21. **Voted** that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Senior Center main building only to pay the cleaning and maintenance costs of the Senior Center, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $30,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2007 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire Station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 22. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire Station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Public Works Garage to pay for maintenance costs and improvement costs for the Public Work's buildings as well as purchase equipment for the Public Works Department, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $80,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 23. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Public Works Garage to pay for maintenance costs and improvement costs for the Public Work's buildings as well as purchase equipment for the Public Works Department, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $80,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from licensing, renting or leasing parking spaces on the premises of the Public Library to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs of the Public Library, and authorize expenditures by the Library Director, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 24. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from licensing, renting or leasing parking spaces on the premises of the Public Library to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs of the Public Library, and authorize expenditures by the Library Director, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from licensing, renting or leasing parking spaces on the premises of the Public Schools to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs of the Public Schools, and authorize expenditures by the School Committee, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 25. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from licensing, renting or leasing parking spaces on the premises of the Public Schools to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs of the Public Schools, and authorize expenditures by the School Committee, not to exceed $20,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2007 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 26. **Voted** that the Town reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2007 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for transportation services at the Senior Center to pay the costs associated with providing these services, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $30,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 27. **Voted** that the Town establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for transportation services at the Senior Center to pay the costs associated with providing these services, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $30,000 during Fiscal Year 2008 which may be made from such fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 28. To see if the Town of Stoneham will grant a preservation restriction to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by and through the Massachusetts Historical Commission (the "MHC"), in perpetuity, by which the Town will covenant to maintain the Fire Station at 25 Central Street in a manner satisfactory to the MHC and not alter the property unless the MHC determines that the alteration will not impair the characteristics which contribute to the historical integrity of this property listed on the National Register of Historical Places on April 13, 1984.

Marcia M. Wengen et al
56 Washington Street

Article 28. **Voted** that the Town grant a preservation restriction to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by and through the Massachusetts Historical Commission (the "MHC"), in perpetuity, by which the Town will covenant to maintain the Fire Station at 25 Central Street in a manner satisfactory to the MHC and not alter the property unless the MHC determines that the alteration will not impair the characteristics which contribute to the historical integrity of this property listed on the National Register of Historical Places on April 13, 1984.

Majority Vote Required
Passes per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 29. To see if the town will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to defray the cost of drainage improvements in the MacArthur Road area and the Spring Street area or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 29. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) to defray the cost of drainage improvements in the MacArthur Road area and the Spring Street area; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or

any other enabling authority: and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Board of Assessors to pay for the costs of Interim Year Adjustments for all real estate and for an Update of all real estate and personal property. Such funding shall come from the Overlay Surplus Account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 30. **Voted** that the town appropriate the sum of $110,000 to pay for the costs of Interim Year Adjustments for all real estate and for an Update of all real estate and personal property; said sum to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Town Stabilization Fund as revenue to be applied to the Town's FY08 Budget.

Board of Selectmen

Article 31. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #31 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2007 department budgets approved under Article 26 of the May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, as amended. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 32. **Voted** that the Town amend in accordance with Exhibit A the Fiscal Year 2007 departmental budgets approved under Article 26 of May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, As amended.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to fund related costs associated with necessary capital repairs or replacement costs to the Stoneham Middle School 15,000 gallon underground oil tank, or do anything in relation thereto.

Stoneham School Committee

Article 33. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #33 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postponed
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $30,000 for the purpose of embellishing Lindenwood Cemetery by hiring part-time help, purchasing equipment, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 34. **Voted** that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Care Income Trust Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000) for the purpose of embellishing Lindenwood Cemetery by hiring part-time help, purchasing equipment.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $300,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of constructing water mains or replacing or relining existing water mains, hydrant replacement, water meter installations, purchasing equipment, or maintain the water system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 35. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #35 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $300,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction or rehabilitation of sewer mains, manholes, pump stations or appurtenances, purchasing equipment, or maintain the sewer system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 36. **Voted** that the Town raise and appropriate or transfer from Estimated Sewer Receipts Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000) for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction or rehabilitation of sewer mains, manholes, pump stations or appurtenances, purchasing equipment, or maintain the sewer system within the limits of the Town.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $309,631 to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account Chapter 291C of the Acts of 2005, Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 37. **Voted** that the Town appropriate $309,631 to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account Chapter 291C of the Acts of 2005, Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to pay prior year invoices. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 38. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #38 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to

a. Authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land no longer needed for school or school related purposes, located between the main driveway of the Stoneham High School and Emerald Court; said property is a portion of parcel No. 152 on Assessors Map 8, between parcel 155 to the South and parcels 153 and 154 to the North containing approximately 13,500 square feet of land – all according to the "Plan of Lot A #10 Emerald Court in Stoneham, Massachusetts" by Robert E. Grover, Town Engineer, and subject to the sewer easement as shown, pursuant to the provisions of Section 15A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws – to the Board of Selectmen for the purposes of sale; and

b. Authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to sell said parcel of land referenced in Subparagraph (a) above in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws, subject to such reasonable conditions, if any, that the Town deems necessary to insure that the use of said parcel, including the nature of any structure to be built thereon, is not injurious to the abutters and/or neighborhood.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Pamela Swallow, 14 Emerald Court made a motion to amend as follows: "Further that any residential dwelling from sale of this property be a single family dwelling no more than two stories high facing Emerald Ct with no access from the school driveway."

Article 39. **Voted** that the Town

a. Authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land no longer needed for school or school related purposes, located between the main driveway of the Stoneham High School and Emerald Court; said property is a portion of parcel No. 152 on Assessors Map 8, between parcel 155 to the South and parcels 153 and 154 to the North containing approximately 13,500 square feet of land – all according to the "Plan of Lot A #10 Emerald Court in Stoneham, Massachusetts" by Robert E. Grover, Town Engineer, and subject to the sewer easement as shown, pursuant to the provisions of Section 15A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws – to the Board of Selectmen for the purposes of sale; and

b. Authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to sell said parcel of land referenced in Subparagraph (a) above in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws, subject to such reasonable conditions, if any, that the Town deems necessary to insure that the use of said parcel, including the nature of any structure to be built thereon, is not injurious to the abutters and/or neighborhood.

Further that any residential dwelling from sale of this property be a single family dwelling no more than two stories high facing Emerald Ct with no access from the school driveway.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Motion to Amend
Passes Per Moderator
Main Motion As Amended
⅔Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 40. **Voted** that the Town raise, transfer from available funds, and appropriate from taxation the sum of Fifty-Nine Million Seven Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars ($59,790,899) to defray Town charges including debt and interest and a reserve fund for the ensuing year beginning July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; said sum as itemized on Exhibit B.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Motion to Dissolve.
Meeting dissolved at 10:45 PM.

Minutes for Special Town Meeting
Monday, May 7, 2007

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex. GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on

Monday, May 7, 2007

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following Articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 474 voters were inside the meeting.

Moderator Michael Rotondi called the Special Town Meeting to order at 10:35PM.

Kathleen Sullivan 91 Spring Street made a motion to Adjourn the Special Town Meeting until Thursday, May 10, 2007 at 8:00PM. Motion Passed per Moderator.
Meeting Adjourned at 10:36PM.

Special Town Meeting reconvened on Thursday, May 10, 2007 following the dissolution of the Annual Town Meeting. Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 352 voters inside the meeting. Moderator Rotondi called the meeting to order at 10:45 PM.

Article 1. To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to amend Section 6.7 SIGNS of the Town of Stoneham Zoning By-Laws by amending or adding the following sections:

Section 6.7.5 *Prohibited Signs*:

(b) Off-premise signs and billboards, except for non-commercial signs and signage permitted pursuant to Sections 6.7.6 (e) and 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.6 *Permitted Signs*:

(e) Off-Premise and Billboard Signs are permitted by Special Permit in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning District, subject to the procedures and requirements in Section 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.8 *Off-Premise and Billboard Sign – Procedures*:

Section 6.7.8.1 Applications: Off-Premise and Billboard Signs shall be permitted in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts only by grant of a Special Permit issued by the Planning Board. Any person desiring a Special Permit under this section shall submit a Special Permit application to the Planning Board together with a filing fee of $1,000.00 and ten (10) copies of the application materials as outlined below:

(a) Site Plan and area maps identifying the following features:

i. Location of any existing buildings, parking spaces and traffic circulation pattern on the subject parcel;

ii. Proximity of nearest residentially used and residentially zoned property utilizing current aerial photographs and Stoneham Assessors Maps;

iii. Specific location of proposed Off-Premise or Billboard Sign; and,

iv. Details of proposed buffer/landscaping area around signage including species and caliper of trees and/or shrubbery.

(b) Off-Premise or Billboard Sign details shall include the following information:

i. Detailed dimensions and area of any proposed single or multi-faced sign;

ii. Detail sheet of any proposed support structure specifying dimensions and construction type. Upon request by the Planning Board or the Building Inspector, the Applicant shall provide a structural analysis of the support structure stamped by a licensed structural engineer; and,

iii. Lighting proposal, including cut sheets of all proposed lighting fixtures to be either attached to the sign, structure or affixed to the ground;

(c) Additional Requirements:

i. Authorization from the property owner (i.e., lease, etc.) granting permission to install proposed signage;

ii. Authorization, as necessary, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or the Federal Government; and,

iii. Any additional information as may be required by the Planning Board to assist the Board in determining whether the application complies with the intent and requirements of this Section 6.7.8.

Section 6.7.8.2 Dimensional Restrictions and Design Guidelines: All signage proposals shall be designed in compliance with the following requirements:

1. Signage shall be permitted in the Commercial 1 and Commercial III Zoning Districts only, provided, however, that said signage shall be located no further than 50' from any interstate layout;

2. Signage shall not have excessive lighting nor shall it have any mechanical or moving parts which would, in the opinion of the Board, have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists. This shall not preclude an applicant from proposing signage which allows for more than one advertisement to be displayed, such as a so-called "tri-vision" sign, at the discretion of the Planning Board;

3. Signage shall not create a visual impediment or impact to any abutting or adjacent residentially zoned or used property;

4. No portable signs shall be permitted. All signage must be permanently affixed to a main support structure;

5. There shall be no more than one Off-Premises or Billboard Sign permitted for every 1500 linear feet of Commercial I and Commercial III frontage which directly abuts an interstate layout. This calculation shall be based on the current Zoning Map and such calculation shall be submitted by the Applicant to the Planning Board as part of the application materials;

6. An Off-Premises or Billboard sign may be double sided. An individual sign or sign face shall not exceed 672 square feet in total area and shall not exceed 14 feet in height x 48 feet in width.

7. An Off-Premises or Billboard sign may be mounted on a pedestal or other support structure which may not exceed 40 feet in height. The height of such structure shall be calculated from the base of the support structure or sign, whichever is affixed to the ground (exclusive of structural footings), to the highest point of the support structure;

8. Signage lighting or other illumination related to the proposed sign shall not project, glare or negatively impact abutting properties and shall not shine onto abutting roadways;

9. The Applicant shall provide a 10' wide landscaped buffer around the base of the support structure to minimize any visual impacts.

Section 6.7.8.3 Criteria for Approval: The Planning Board shall not approve any applications for a Special Permit under Section 6.7.8 unless it finds that all of the following conditions are met or are incorporated into any Special Permit decision:

1. The specific site is an appropriate location for the proposed sign and the design and layout complies with the standards set forth in these procedures and requirements;

2. The proposed sign will not adversely affect the abutting neighborhood or have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists;

3. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.2 "Certificate of Insurance";

4. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.3 "Location of sign; inclusion of permit number on sign";

5. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.5 "Maintenance; inspection";

6. All permits are subject to any necessary approvals and conditions issued by the State of Massachusetts or Federal Government; and,

7. The Planning Board, in granting the special permit, shall attach such additional conditions and safeguards as it deems necessary.

Section 6.7.8.4 Sign Maintenance: If a sign permitted under Section 6.7.8 is abandoned or is in disrepair for a period of ninety (90) days, it shall be cause for its removal. The Building Inspector shall notify the owner and/or manager of the sign and property owner in writing, specifying a forty-five (45) day period to remove or repair said sign otherwise upon expiration of the forty-five (45) day period the sign permit shall be revoked. If the sign has not been removed or repaired within the time period to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector, the Building Inspector shall cause the sign to be removed forthwith. All expenses for the removal shall be borne by the sign owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector.

If the Building Inspector determines that a sign is an immediate threat to public safety, irrespective of any stays granted to the sign and/or property owner, the Building Inspector may cause any sign, abandoned or not, and any portion of its support structure if deemed part of the public threat, to be immediately removed, and/or the threatened public area cordoned off. All expenses for protecting the public, including the removal of said sign or stabilization of the public safety threat, shall be borne by the sign owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector. A sign which is not abandoned may be returned to its original position, but only after repairs have been made and the public safety threat abated, to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector.

Section 6.7.8.5 Surety: The Applicant shall provide a financial surety to the Town which will cover the cost of the removal of any sign which is found to be abandoned or is in disrepair, as determined under Section 6.7.8.4. The Applicant shall deposit with the Town Accountant a surety in the amount of which shall be determined by the Planning Board at the time of the application. Upon removal of the sign by the Town (if required), any remaining funds shall be returned to the Applicant.

Commercial I and Commercial III

Sign Type Allowed	Permit Required	Max. Sign Area	Max Height Ft.	Front Set back	Side Set back	Max Number	Comment
Off-Premise & Billboard Signage - Permitted in Commercial I and Commercial III District	Y* *Permitted by Special Permit	672 SF per sign face - Not to exceed 14'x48' per sign face	40' support structure	NA	NA	See Section 6.7.8	See Section 6.7.8 for additional restrictions and guidelines

This article shall be conditioned upon and subject to a Development Agreement being entered into by the Town through its Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator prior to Town Meeting.
Or to act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 1. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article 31 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to petition the State Legislature to enact a special act for the Town of Stoneham to establish and maintain a special account known as the Capital Improvement Trust Fund. The Town of Stoneham may appropriate to the fund by vote at an annual or special town meeting in any year an amount not to exceed 10 per cent of the amount raised in the preceding year by taxation of real estate and tangible personal property. Appropriations under this section shall not increase the aggregate amount of the fund to an amount exceeding 10 per cent of the equalized valuation of the Town as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Monies in the fund may be appropriated at an annual or special town meeting for capital purposes only by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of town meeting. Capital purchase shall mean the purchase of any item with a cost of at least $10,000 and a life expectancy of 3 or more years. Any interest earned on the fund shall be added to and become part of the fund.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town petition the State Legislature to enact a special act for the Town of Stoneham to establish and maintain a special account known as the Capital Improvement Trust Fund. The Town of Stoneham may appropriate to the fund by vote at an annual or special town meeting in any year an amount not to exceed 10 per cent of the amount raised in the preceding year by taxation of real estate and tangible personal property. Appropriations under this section shall not increase the aggregate amount of the fund to an amount exceeding 10 per cent of the equalized valuation of the Town as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Monies in the fund may be appropriated at an annual or special town meeting for capital purposes only by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of town meeting. Capital purchase shall mean the purchase of any item with a cost of at least $10,000 and a life expectancy of 3 or more years. Any interest earned on the fund shall be added to and become part of the fund.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
***sent to Senator Tisei & Representatives Casey & Natale on May 21, 2007**

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the
care, custody, management and control of the below referenced Town owned parcels of land ("property") behind Brookbridge Road, which are no longer needed for their current purpose(s), to the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator for the purpose of the sale of said property and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to sell said property in accordance with the applicable provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, including Section 3 of Chapter 40:

1. Parcel 303 on Town of Stoneham Assessors' Map 7 – 3,125 S.F., Rectangular shaped
parcel 125' x 25' directly behind #16 Brookbridge Road.

2. Parcel 305 on Town of Stoneham Assessors' Map 7 – 3,125 S.F., Rectangular shaped
parcel 125' x 25' directly behind #18 Brookbridge Road.

3. Parcel 307 on Town of Stoneham Assessors' Map 7 – 3,286 S.F., Rectangular shaped
parcel 25' wide by approximately 131' long. The parcel is directly behind #20
Brookbridge Road.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 3. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #3 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of the below referenced Town owned property, which is no longer needed for its current purpose, to the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator for the purpose of the sale of said property and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to sell said property in accordance with the applicable provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, including Section 3 of Chapter 40:

A thirteen (13) acre parcel of land with access from Sabino Road and Brookbridge Road, located between Hall Road, Crystal Drive and Brookbridge Road, and further bounded by the Town of Wakefield line and property of the Town of Wakefield located in the Town of Stoneham. Said parcel of land is shown on the Stoneham Board of Assessors' Map 1 as Parcel 27.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 4. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #4 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of the below referenced Town owned property, which is no longer needed for its current purpose, to the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator for the purpose of the sale of said property and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to sell said property in accordance with the applicable provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, including Section 3 of Chapter 40:

> All or a portion of a six (6) acre parcel being the northeast portion of the Lindenwood Cemetery, shown on the Stoneham Board of Assessors' Map 22 as Parcel 88, with access from Richardson Road and Butler Avenue, and located between the Unicorn Golf Course, Country Club Road and Butler Avenue.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen
Article 5. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #5 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to lease or rent the existing one (1) story block building located at Recreation Park at the end of Dale Court in the Town of

Stoneham, and to authorize such other actions, including meeting any legal requirements, to effectuate this purpose.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 6. **Voted** that the subject matter of Article #6 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the lease of the Senior Center Barn and a portion of the real property, including a portion of the parking area, at the Stoneham Senior Center pursuant to the provision of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981, as amended) and the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. And further to petition the General Court for a special act authorizing the lease of said Senior Center Barn for a period in excess of ten (10) years with a limit of ninety-nine (99) years. And to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 7. **Voted** that the Town authorize the lease of the Senior Center Barn and a portion of the real property, including a portion of the parking area, at the Stoneham Senior Center pursuant to the provision of Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981, as amended) and the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. And further to petition the General Court for a special act authorizing the lease of said Senior Center Barn for a period in excess of ten (10) years with a limit of ninety-nine (99) years. And to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

***sent to Senator Tisei & Representatives Casey & Natale on May 21, 2007**

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) to fund the costs associated with the repair and/or replacement of the Stoneham Arena Roof; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) under Chapter 44 of the Mass. General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of FiveHundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) to fund the costs associated with the repair and/or replacement of the Stoneham Arena Roof; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) under Chapter 44 of the Mass. General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars ($26,829) to fund the purchase of Firefighter Turnout Gear and Equipment; and to meet this appropriation, Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars ($26,829) to be transferred from unexpended proceeds of the Town's outstanding $1,988,530 Bond Anticipation Notes dated May 25, 2007 (said sum representing excess proceeds not needed for the completion of the $60,000 Fire Station Ventilation System project authorized by vote of the Town taken pursuant to Article 11 of the May 2, 2005 Annual Town Meeting); and that the vote of the Town taken pursuant to Article 17 of the May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting appropriating and authorizing Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) borrowing for the purchase of Firefighter Turnout Gear and Equipment is hereby rescinded.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 9. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars ($26,829) to fund the purchase of Firefighter Turnout Gear and Equipment; and to meet this appropriation, Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars ($26,829) to be transferred from unexpended proceeds of the Town's outstanding $1,988,530 Bond Anticipation Notes dated May 25, 2007 (said sum representing excess proceeds not needed for the completion of the $60,000 Fire Station Ventilation System project authorized by vote of the Town taken pursuant to Article 11 of the May 2, 2005 Annual Town Meeting); and that the vote of the Town taken pursuant to Article 17 of the May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting appropriating and authorizing Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) borrowing for the purchase of Firefighter Turnout Gear and Equipment is hereby rescinded.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Motion to Dissolve.
Meeting dissolved at 11:12 PM.

Minutes for Special Town Meeting
Thursday, August 16, 2007

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on

Thursday, August 16, 2007

at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following Articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 363 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael Rotondi at 7:05 PM. He thanked the Town's organist Bruce Netten. Moderator Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance and the warrant was read.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of $15,000 to the budget of the Open Space and Recreation Department, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 1. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #1.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Passes Per Moderator

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer
from available funds, the sum of $92,000 to the budget of the Stoneham Public Library in order to meet the Minimum Appropriation Requirement standard mandated by the State of Massachusetts for Public Library Certification, or do anything in relation thereto. The monies would be distributed as follows: $38,814 to the Personnel Budget, $53,186 to the Operating Budget.

Library Board of Trustees

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of article #2.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone Passes Per Moderator

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer
from available funds a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2008 departmental budgets and funding sources, approved under Article No. 40 of the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 3. **Voted** that the Town amend the Fiscal Year 2008 departmental budgets and funding sources, approved under Article No. 40 of the May 7, 2007 [Annual Town Meeting] as presented in Exhibit A.

Motion to amend made by John DeGeorge 148 Franklin Street, as follows:

Reduce the $59,790,899 FY08 approved budget amount to $58,250,934 by changing the appropriation for the following accounts; and estimated revenues, accordingly:

#132 Reserve Fund-Personnel at 0-Operating from 269084 to 39134=Total 39134
#155 MIS/GIS-Personnel from 75000 to 37500-Operating at 53900=Total 91400
#182 Planning/Appeal Brd/Conservation-Personnel at 26106-Operating from 31650 to 16650-Total 42756
#210 Police Dept-Personnel from 3281960 to 3161960-Operating at 302177-Total 3,464,137
#220 Fire & Emerg Rescue-Personnel from 2681018 to 2561018-Operating at 143738=Total 2,704,756
#300 Public Schools-From 24389162 to 23639162=Total 23,639,162
#399 NE Reg Vocational-Personnel 0-Operating from 592087 to 512052=Total 512052
#400 Public Works-Personnel at 731626-Operating from 2382395 to 2277395=Total 3009021
#541 Council on Aging-Personnel at 147527 to 132527-Operating at 33700=Total 166227
#542 Youth Commission Personnel from 15000 to 7500-Operating at 0-Total 7500
#610 Library-Personnel from 591322 to 571322-Operating from 193838 to 153838-Total 725160

Estimated revenue of the current year from $49,579,097 to $49,592,626
Total Budget-Personnel $10,967,143 – Operating $47,283,791-Grand Total $58,250,934 Spending
Total Budget-Estimated Revenues-Grand Total $58,250,934

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Vote on Amendment
Amendment Fails Per Moderator
Motion to Move Question
Question is Moved
Vote on Main Motion
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Legislature to amend Chapter 26 of the Acts of 1981 as amended, "An Act Establishing a Selectmen-Town Administrator Form of Government for the Town of Stoneham", by adding the following:

Sec 17. Budget process-Certified Surplus Revenue (Free Cash).

Upon receipt of Department of Revenue certification of the amount of Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) from a given fiscal year budget, that is available for use; the total amount shall be immediately transferred to the Stabilization Fund Account.

John M. DeGeorge et al
148 Franklin Street

Article 4. **Voted** that the Town petition the Legislature to amend Chapter 26 of the Acts of 1981 as amended, "An Act Establishing a Selectmen-Town Administrator Form of Government for the Town of Stoneham", by adding the following:

Sec 17. Budget process-Certified Surplus Revenue (Free Cash).

Upon receipt of Department of Revenue certification of the amount of Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) from a given fiscal year budget, that is available for use; the total amount shall be immediately transferred to the Stabilization Fund Account.

Motion to Move Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

***Home Rule petition sent to Senator Tisei and Representatives Casey & Natale on August 22, 2007**

Motion to Dissolve
Meeting Dissolved at 8:44PM

Article 3 Exhibit A

Dept. #	Department	Salaries	Operating	Total	Explanation
132	Finance Board Reserve Fund		($229,930)	($229,930)	Funds no longer available to put into Stabilization
155	MIS Department	($75,000)		($75,000)	Don't hire IT person
182	Planning Board/Board of Appeals		($30,000)	($30,000)	Don't hire Town Planner
210	Police	($165,000)		($165,000)	Unable to fill vacant LT. And SGT. Positions
220	Fire	($165,000)		($165,000)	Unable to fill 3 vacant firefighter positions
300	Schools		($750,000)	($750,000)	defer to schools
398	Minuteman Voc. School		$40,000	$40,000	3 additional students attending Minuteman Voc.
400	Public Works	($10,000)	($77,662)	($87,662)	Level Fund Snow & Ice, Reduce Tree Service and Material Disposal
440	Sewer		$63,787	$63,787	Adjusted MWRA Assessment
450	Water		($79,689)	($79,689)	Adjusted MWRA Assessment
541	Council on Aging	($30,000)		($30,000)	Fund part time van driver from Stockwell Trust
542	Youth Commission	($15,000)		($15,000)	Continue self funding Recreation Programs
610	Public Library	($46,349)	$18,202	($28,147)	reduce hours of operation and book budget
918	Capital		($1,853)	($1,853)	
	Net change to FY08 Budgets	**($506,349)**	**($1,047,145)**	**($1,553,494)**	
General Fund Revenue of the Current Year				($1,537,592)	
Estimated Sewer Receipts				$63,787	
Estimated Water Receipts				($79,689)	
	Net change to FY08 Estimated Receipts			**($1,553,494)**	

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2007

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on

Thursday, October 18, 2007

at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 139 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael Rotondi at 7:09 PM. He thanked the Town's organist for the evening, John Phipps and allowed the usual organist Bruce Netten to make a statement about the organ.. Moderator Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance and the warrant was read.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws by changing the following sections, so that it will read as follows:

6.3.7 *Off-Street Loading:*

6.3.7.1 *Applicability:*

6.3.7.1.1 The provisions of this Section shall apply to any building or structure, or addition thereto, to be utilized for any use within any zone except those allowed in Residence A, Residence B and Open Space Districts, containing more than twenty-five thousand (25,000) gross square feet.

Section 6.3.7.2 *Number of Off-Street Loading Areas Required:*

Section 6.3.7.2.1 There shall be one (1) off-street loading area for each twenty-five thousand (25,000) square feet of gross floor area.

Or to do anything in relation thereto.

Planning Board

Article 1. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws by changing the following sections, so that it will read as follows:

6.3.7 *Off-Street Loading:*

6.3.7.1 *Applicability:*

6.3.7.1.2 The provisions of this Section shall apply to any building or structure, or addition thereto, to be utilized for any use within any zone except those allowed in Residence A, Residence B and Open Space Districts, containing more than twenty-five thousand (25,000) gross square feet.

Section 6.3.7.2 *Number of Off-Street Loading Areas Required:*

Section 6.3.7.2.1 There shall be one (1) off-street loading area for each twenty-five thousand (25,000) square feet of gross floor area.

⅔ Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Selectmen John DePinto 3 Rebecca Lane made a motion to take Article #13 out of order at this time.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2008 departmental budgets and funding sources, approved under Article No. 40 of the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, as amended. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 13. **Voted** that the Town transfer from available funds and surplus revenue, a sum of Six Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred thirty-Five Dollars ($665,435) to amend the Fiscal Year 2008 departmental budgets and funding sources (see Exhibit A), approved under Article No. 40 of the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, as amended.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

***The Exhibit A presented on Town Meeting floor showed the Total of the Net change to FY08 budget as $665,435 because the first two amounts in the column were not added in for the total at the bottom. Each number in the column, however, was read at Town Meeting then the incorrect total was given. The correct amount of $674,716 is now shown in the Exhibit A. This amount will be used to amend the Fiscal Year 2008 departmental budgets and funding sources approved under Article No. 40 of the May, 2007 Annual Town Meeting, as amended.**

Article #13 Exhibit A
Amend the following Departmental Budgets:

Dept. #	Department	Salaries	Operating	Total	
122	Board of Selectmen	$2,162		$2,162	Collective
123	Town Administrator	$7,119		$7,119	Collective
135	Town Accountant	$3,672		$3,672	Collective
141	Assessors	$4,464		$4,464	Collective
145	Treasurer	($15,125)		($15,125)	Savings fr
151	Town Counsel	$3,289		$3,289	Collective
155	MIS Dept.	$22,500		$22,500	Hiring Ful
161	Town Clerk	$2,171	$1,000	$3,171	Educationa
162	Elections & Registrations	$1,089		$1,089	Collective
172	Whip Hill	$1,203		$1,203	Collective
182	Planning/Appeals/Conservation	$1,019		$1,019	Collective
192	Public Property	$791		$791	Collective
210	Police Department	$101,139		$101,139	Collective
211	Traffic Directors	$3,442		$3,442	Collective
212	Dispatchers	$7,771		$7,771	Collective
220	Fire & Emergency Rescue Department	$63,249		$63,249	Collective
241	Building Inspectional Services	$5,141		$5,141	Collective

398	Minuteman Voc. School		($35,000)	($35,000)	only 2 stud
400	Public Works Department	$46,801		$46,801	Collective
510	Board of Health	$4,575		$4,575	Collective
541	Council on Aging	$2,686		$2,686	Collective
542	Youth Commission	$15,000		$15,000	Part time h programs
543	Veterans Department	$368		$368	Collective
610	Public Library	$15,945	$2,563	$18,508	Needed for
630	Unicorn Golf/Arena	$10,209		$10,209	Collective
911	Contributory Retirement		$400,000	$400,000	Additional
918	Capital		$281,872	$281,872	School IT, Police Cru Arena Low Bathroom.
919	Unclassified		($286,399)	($286,399)	Savings in
	Net change to FY08 Budgets	**$301,399**	**$364,036**	**$674,716**	*

Reduce Revenue of the Current Year	**($195,000)**	Reduce Tr Leaves $8(
Transfer from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)	**$627,435**	Stabilizatic
Transfer from Pothole Grant	**$233,000**	Needed for
	$665,435	

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws, by amending Section 4.1.3.1 (of Section 4.1.3 – Uses Permitted in All Districts) by adding the following to the end of said section 4.1.3.1:

An area of up to twenty percent (20%) of any Town of Stoneham owned property used for a public use (other than property used or zoned for open space and recreation) may be used for a non-public use if said use (as a use) is: (i) non-residential, (ii) not inconsistent with said Town of Stoneham public use, and (iii) not more detrimental to the neighborhood than the current Town of Stoneham public use.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws, by amending Section 4.1.3.1 (of Section 4.1.3 – Uses Permitted in All Districts) by adding the following to the end of said section 4.1.3.1:

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⅔ Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
***Approved by Attorney General January 28, 2008**

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Stoneham as most recently amended, by rezoning certain land from a Residential B District to a Commercial 1 District. Said land is generally located off of Adam Road, Hillside Road and Manison Street and is further identified on the Town of Stoneham Assessors Map, as follows: Map/Parcels 23-0-70; 23-0-71; 23-0-72; 23-0-73; 23-0-82; 23-0-86; 23-0-100; 23-0-101 and those portions of Map/Parcels 23-0-77; 23-0-78; 23-0-79; and 23-0-92 presently zoned Residential B intending that these lots in their entirety shall be zoned Commercial 1, together with any fee interest in any adjacent private ways or passageways possessed by all of these parcels. Said parcels are further identified through deed references as recorded at the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds as follows: 30303/512; 46788/319; 16034/0243; 21598/325; 30647/226 and 41500/316. Said parcels to be rezoned are further identified on Town of Stoneham Assessors Map #23 available in the Assessing Department and the Town Clerk's office.

Or to act in any other matter in relation thereto.

Mark T. Vaughan et al
35 Beacon Street

Article 3. **Voted** that the Town amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Stoneham as most recently amended, by rezoning certain land from a Residential B District to a Commercial 1 District. Said land is generally located off of Adam Road, Hillside Road and Manison Street and is further identified on the Town of Stoneham Assessors Map, as follows: Map/Parcels 23-0-70; 23-0-71; 23-0-72; 23-0-73; 23-0-82; 23-0-86; 23-0-100; 23-0-101 and those portions of Map/Parcels 23-0-77; 23-0-78; 23-0-79; and 23-0-92 presently zoned Residential B intending that these lots in their entirety shall be zoned Commercial 1, together with any fee interest in any adjacent private ways or passageways possessed by all of these parcels. Said parcels are further identified

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⅔ Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
***Approved by Attorney General January 28, 2008**

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to design and construct a Stoneham sports facility behind the Stoneham (Unicorn) Arena, to include: (i) an indoor facility and field for athletics, sports and related events, including, but no limited to, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey, and (ii) an additional skating facility, and to further authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to effectuate said design and construction; or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 4. **Voted** that the town transfer from the FY2008 Unclassified Budget-Dept #919 the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) for a feasibility study regarding a Stoneham sports facility behind the Stoneham (Unicorn) Arena, to include the study of: (i) an indoor facility and field for athletics, sports and related events, including, but no limited to, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey, and (ii) an additional skating facility, and to further authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to effectuate said feasibility study.

Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Hand Count

Yes	**No**
58	**38**

Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to fund the acquisition and installation of instructional technology equipment and software for the Stoneham High School. Or do anything in relation thereto.

School Committee

Article 5. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone article #5.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend certain sections of the Town Code, Chapter 3, Article II Dogs, as follows – with the strike outs (lines through words) indicating deletions and the highlight/underlined text indicating additions:

Section 3-6 Keeping of barking or howling dogs.

(a) Prohibited: No person shall own or keep in the town any dog which by excessive barking or howling or by biting disturbs the quiet of any person.

(b) Penalties: In addition to the general penalties provided pursuant to Section 1-4 of this Stoneham Town Code, the non-criminal disposition penalties that shall apply to a violation of this bylaw shall be as follows:

First offense within a ~~twenty-four~~twelve month period.....Warning
Second offense within a ~~twenty-four~~ twelve month period.....~~$25.00~~50.00
Third and subsequent offense(s) within a ~~twenty-four~~ twelve month period.....~~$50.00~~ 75.00
Each day a violation continues shall be a separate offense.

In addition to police officers of the Town of Stoneham, the Animal Control Officer shall have authority to enforce this bylaw by non-criminal disposition.

And further to amend Section 1-4A of the Stoneham Town Code so as to list the non-criminal disposition penalty listed in this Section 3-6(b) in said Section 1-4A.

Sec. 3-7. Leash required; penalty.
Every dog owned or kept in the Town shall, at all times while within the town, be effectively restrained by some person by means of a leash, except when such dog is on the premises of the owner or keeper or another person with the consent of such person.

The owner or keeper of any such dog that is not restrained shall be punishable by a fine of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for the first offense, fifty dollars ($50.00) for the second offense, and ~~fifty~~ seventy-five dollars (~~$50.00~~75.00) for each succeeding offense.

Sec. 3-10. Redemption; disposition of monies paid to dog officer.
(a) The owner or keeper of any licensed dog confined as provided for in this article may reclaim such dog upon payment of the costs and charges incurred by the town for such apprehension and confinement and care of such dog, such charges to be ~~five~~seventy-five dollars(~~$5.00~~ 75.00) for the apprehension of such dog, plus

care charges for such dog of ~~two~~ twenty dollars (~~$2.00~~ 20.00) for each full or partial day of confinement in a pound owned or leased by, or under the control of the town or the dog officer. If the dog is confined in a place other than a pound owned or leased by or under the control of the town or the dog officer, the care charges to be paid hereunder shall be the actual charges incurred by the town or the dog officer for such confinement. No licensed dog confined as provided in this article may be reclaimed until the owner or keeper thereof shall have paid all such costs to the dog officer.

(b) The dog officer shall pay over to the town treasurer all sums paid to him, such sums to be applied to the cost of enforcing this Article. (3-19-73, Art. 26.)

Sec. 3-11. Feces—Duty to dispose.

(a) *Duty to dispose:* It shall be the duty of each person who owns, possesses or controls a dog to remove and dispose of any feces left by his/her dog on any sidewalk, street or other public area in the Town. It shall further be the duty of each person who owns, possesses or controls a dog to remove and dispose of any feces left by his/her dog on any private property neither owned nor occupied by said person and for which permission has not been granted by a lawfully authorized person for the disposal of such feces on said private property.

(b) *Method of Disposal:* Disposal shall be accomplished by transporting and disposing of such feces to and at a place suitable and lawful for the disposal of canine feces or as otherwise designated as appropriate by the Board of Health.

(c) *Enforcement:* Violation of this section shall be punishable ~~as follows:~~

~~First Offense (over a 12 month period)~~	~~$50.00~~
~~Second Offense (over a 12 month period)~~	~~100.00~~
~~Third Offense and each subsequent offense (over a 12 month period)~~	~~150.00~~

by a fine pursuant to Section 1.4 of these Bylaws.

(d) Penalties: The non-criminal disposition penalty that shall apply to a violation of Section 3-11 shall be as follows:

First offense (over a 24-month period)	Warning
Second offense (over a 24-month period)	$50.00

Third and subsequent offense(s) (over a 24 month period) $150.00

And further to amend Section 1-4A of the Stoneham Town Code so as to list the non-criminal disposition penalty listed in this Section 3-11(s) in said Section 1-4A.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 6. **Voted** that the Town amend certain sections of the Town Code, Chapter 3, Article II Dogs, as follows – with the strike outs (lines through words) indicating deletions and the highlight/underlined text indicating additions:

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Each day a violation continues shall be a separate offense.

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Third and subsequent offense(s) (over a 24 month period) $150.00

And further to amend Section 1-4A of the Stoneham Town Code so as to list the non-criminal disposition penalty listed in this Section 3-11(s) in said Section 1-4A.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
***Approved by Attorney General January 28, 2008**

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the certain sections of the Town Code, Chapter 5A – Stoneham Alarm Bylaw, as follows – with the strike outs (lines through words) indicating deletions and the highlighted/underlined text indicating additions to Chapter 5A:

Sec. 5A-5. Alarm Appeal Board.

There shall be an Alarm Appeal Board appointed by the Board of Selectmen which shall consist of the Town Administrator or his designee~~, the Chief of Police or his designee, the Fire Chief or his designee~~ and two ~~four~~ residents of the Town of Stoneham.

Sec. 5A-11. False alarm charges.

When the Police Department or Fire Department has responded to a false alarm, the appropriate Administrator shall impose a charge on the responsible alarm user according to the below referenced
schedule. In instances where both the Police and Fire Departments respond to a false alarm, the Administrator shall be the Fire Chief.

A. First ~~two (2)~~ false alarms within one calendar year

B. Second false alarm within one calendar year

~~B~~C. Third (3rd) false alarm within one calendar year

~~C~~D Fourth (4th) false alarm within one calendar year

~~D~~E Fifth (5th) ~~or subsequent~~ false alarms within one calendar year

F. Each additional false alarm after the fifth within one calendar year – increment increase(s) above $200 of

~~E~~G Any intentional false alarm

~~F~~H Failure to register an alarm device

~~G~~I. Use of automatic dial alarm or an exterior audible alarm device in violation of the provisions of this bylaw

Sec. 5A-12. Notification and appeal.

The administrator shall notify the responsible alarm user of any false alarm charge by mail within ~~thirty(30)~~forty-five (45) days. After the mailing of such notice, the alarm user may file with the Administrator, information to show that the alarm was not a false alarm within the meaning of this bylaw. The Administrator shall, within ~~thirty(30)~~forty-five (45)days consider such information, reaffirm or rescind the false alarm charge, and notify the alarm user of his decision by mail. Within thirty (30) days after mailing of such notice, the alarm user may file a written appeal with the Alarm Appeal Board.

Sec. 5A-14. Refusal or failure to pay charge.

Refusal or failure to pay a charge properly levied shall result in prosecution of the violation in the local district court. The penalty not to exceed three hundred ($300.00) for each offense. In the alternative, a non-criminal disposition penalty of fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense may be imposed pursuant to Section 1-4A of these bylaws. The additional enforcing persons shall be the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee. Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Sec. 5A-17. Enforcement of this bylaw.

The Town may institute civil or criminal proceedings to enforce the provisions of this bylaw. In the alternative, a non-criminal disposition penalty of fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense may be imposed pursuant to Section 1-4A of these bylaws. The additional enforcing persons shall be the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 7. **Voted** that the Town amend the certain sections of the Town Code, Chapter 5A – Stoneham Alarm Bylaw, as follows – with the strike outs (lines through words) indicating deletions and the highlighted/underlined text indicating additions to Chapter 5A:

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The administrator shall notify the responsible alarm user of any false alarm charge by mail within ~~thirty(30)~~forty-five (45) days. After the mailing of such notice, the alarm user may file with the Administrator, information to show that the alarm was not a false alarm within the meaning of this bylaw. The Administrator shall, within ~~thirty(30)~~forty-five (45)days consider such information, reaffirm or rescind the false alarm charge, and notify the alarm user of his decision by mail. Within thirty (30) days after mailing of such notice, the alarm user may file a written appeal with the Alarm Appeal Board.

Sec. 5A-14. Refusal or failure to pay charge.

Refusal or failure to pay a charge properly levied shall result in prosecution of the violation in the local district court. The penalty not to exceed three hundred ($300.00) for each offense. In the alternative, a non-criminal disposition penalty of fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense may be imposed pursuant to Section 1-4A of these bylaws. The additional enforcing persons shall be the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee. Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Sec. 5A-17. Enforcement of this bylaw.

The Town may institute civil or criminal proceedings to enforce the provisions of this bylaw. In the alternative, a non-criminal disposition penalty of fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense may be imposed pursuant to Section 1-4A of these bylaws. The additional enforcing persons shall be the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

***Approved by Attorney General January 28, 2008 contingent upon the deletion of Section 5A-11 G. Any Intentional False Alarm Fine of $500.00 as $300.00 is the maximum allowed under Mass. General Law.**

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the lease of a portion of up to ten thousand (10,000) square feet (at the southwest corner) of the Stevens Street Recycling Center, located off Stevens Street, for a period of up to ten (10) years, pursuant to Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981, as amended.) And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion to Amend made by Selectmen Frank Vallarelli, 5 Birch Street, as follows: "strike ten (10) years and amend to Five (5) years lease"

Article 8. **Voted** that the Town authorize the lease of a portion of up to ten thousand (10,000) square feet (at the southwest corner) of the Stevens Street Recycling Center, located off Stevens Street, for a period of up to five (5) years, pursuant to Section 10(h) of the Town of Stoneham Selectmen-Administrator Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981, as amended.) And further to authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Motion to Amend
Amendment Passes
Majority Vote required
Main Motion as Amended
Passes Per Moderator

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of $2,563 to meet the Municipal Appropriation Requirement for the library's certification or do anything in relation thereto.

Library Board of Trustees

Article 9. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone article #9.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of $50,000 to the budget of the Stoneham Public Library in order to replace the library's boiler, or do anything in relation thereto.

Library Board of Trustees

Article 10. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone article #10.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $385,162 to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2008 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 11. **Voted** that the Town appropriate $385,162 to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2008 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, for the purpose of using receipts generated from licensing, fines, custody and care of animals to pay for the Animal Control Program and authorize expenditures by the Public Works Department not to exceed $20,000 during fiscal year 2008 which may be made from such fund or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 12. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 12.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Surplus Revenue, a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 14. **Voted** that the Town transfer from Surplus Revenue, a sum of Eight Hundred Five Thousand Dollars ($805,000) to the Stabilization Fund.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote that; except for applicable outside revenue sources, such as grants, state and/or federal programs, contract agreements, and the like; the total cost for the actual collection and disposal of trash, garbage, yard waste, appliances, bulk items, recyclable materials, hazardous material, etc. shall be funded by revenue raised from real estate and property taxes. and further, to amend the Stoneham Town Code Chapter 6, Health and Sanitation accordingly, or do anything in relation there to

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Article 15. **Voted** that the Town amend Chapter 6 Health and Sanitation of the Stoneham Town Code by adding the following to the end of Section 6-3: "Except for applicable outside revenue sources, such as grants, state and/or federal programs, contract agreements, and the like; the total cost for the actual collection and disposal of trash, garbage, yard waste, appliances, bulk items, recyclable materials, hazardous material, etc: shall be funded by revenue raised from real estate and property taxes. Any proposed associated fees shall be presented as a question to the electorate on the annual April election ballot; and if approved by a simple majority vote, shall become effective for the upcoming fiscal year only." And further, the said amendment shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

Motion to Move Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Fails Per Moderator

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the total amount of Fiscal Year 2008 Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to the Stabilization Fund Account immediately after it has been certified by the Department of Revenue; or do anything in relation there to.

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Article 16. **Voted** that the Town transfer the total amount of Fiscal Year 2008 Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to the Stabilization Fund Account

immediately after it has been certified by the Department of Revenue; or do anything in relation there to.

⅔Vote Required
Fails Per Moderator

Motion to Dissolve
Meeting Dissolved at 9:44 PM

TOWN HALL ORGAN

Stoneham is the only town in America that has a theatre pipe organ in its town hall. The organ is a Unit Orchestra built by Wurlitzer in 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Patch purchased it from WNAC (now WRKO) radio and donated it to the town in 1942. The organ has around 1,000 pipes, percussions including cymbals, xylophone and castinets, plus sound effects such as car horn and doorbell.

Less than 5% of all theatre organs ever built still exist. Ours is the only one in this state north of Boston. Our organ has an extremely good reputation among organists and organ enthusiasts. In 2007 the American Theatre Organ Society designated it as "an organ of exceptional historic and musical merit, worthy of preservation", one of only 55 in the country so honored.

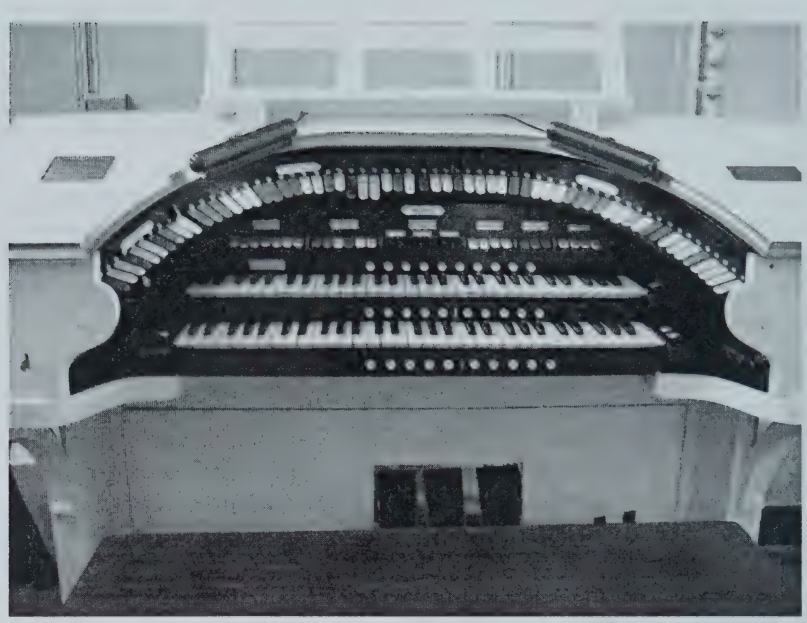
November, 2006, saw the beginning of the 80-year-old organ's first major overhaul. This has only been possible because expert theatre organ technician John Phipps has been charging less than a fifth of the going rate, which has made our limited donations go a long way. Thanks to his efforts the organ is now in its best condition in many years.

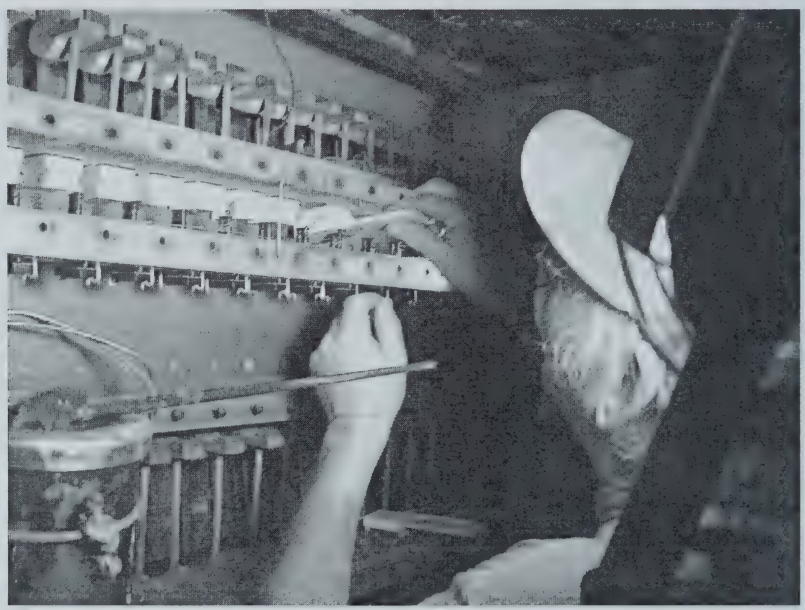
However, more vital work still remains. If sufficient contributions allow restoration to be completed, the organ should go another 80 years with minimal maintenance, and we will be able to boast of having one of the finest organs in America.

Our most generous donor has been the Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society, which was based here from the 1950s throught the early 1970s. Their most recent contribution was financing the successful benefit concert on our organ in January, 2008, featuring award-winning organist Ron Reseigh, as a fund raiser to enable us to continue the work.

The organ is not in the town budget. Therefore, to complete the job, we must rely on donations to the Town of Stoneham marked for the organ.

Bruce Netten
Town Organist





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TOWN COUNSEL

I am pleased to offer the following report concerning the office of the Town Counsel for the Year 2007.

With respect to litigation to which the Town was a part, the following cases were disposed of in the Year 2007:

Alexander, et al v. Stoneham Zoning Board of Appeals, et al, Middlesex Superior Court, Civil Action No. 07-2831 (2007);

Keisah Realty, LLC. and Frank Pino, d/b/a Dunkin' Donuts v. Stoneham Zoning Board of Appeals, et al, Land Court, Docket No. 05 Misc. 316869 (2005);

O'Keefe v. Town of Stoneham, Middlesex Superior Court, Civil Action No. 07-765. (2007);

Town of Stoneham v. Vincent C. Serrentino, d/b/a Atlantic Truck Care, Woburn District Court, Civil Action No. 06553CV1531; and

Fodera v. Town of Stoneham, Appellate Tax Board, Docket No. F285830-06-PRO (2007).

The following cases were added in the Year 2007 and are still pending:

Bain, et al. v. Town of Stoneham, et al., Middlesex Superior Court, Civil Action No 07-1643;

Petrosino, Trustee of Stevens Street Realty Trust v. Board of Appeals for the Town of Stoneham, et al, Land Court, Docket No. 07 Misc 351439; and

Wantman v. Weiss Farm, Inc, et al , Middlesex Superior Court, Civil Action No. 07-02623; and

Rotondi v. Town of Stoneham, et al, Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, MCAD Docket No. 078BEM02838 [Since dismissed voluntarily by the Complainant.]

Legal assistance with provided to Town officials, boards, committees, departments and employees.

Among the matters and/or issues addressed by this office in 2007, were the following:

The settlement of the dispute with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts regarding the purchase of property by the former Metropolitan District Commission for the so-called "Jerry Jingle Park". The Commonwealth, including the Department of Conservation and Recreation agreed to put the subject property up for sale and to provide five percent (5%) of the proceeds from any such sale to the Town of Stoneham. The two cases regarding this matter (brought by the Town of Stoneham and a group of thirty-one (31) Massachusetts taxpayers, respectively, are pending at the Massachusetts Appeals Court, awaiting approval of the necessary special legislation by the General Court prior to the a voluntary dismissal of the appeals;

Drafting of a proposed amendment of the Zoning Bylaws, allowing up to twenty percent (20%) of Town property owned for a public (non-park or recreational use) to be used for certain (non-Town) business uses;

Resumption of payments by the Boston and Maine Corporation to the Town of Stoneham, resulting from the settlement of the Town's litigation regarding the contamination Town property;

Procedural and substantive questions of law posed by the Stoneham Conservation Commission as a result of the then proposed Home Depot development off of Fallon Road.

Assistance to the Stoneham Police Department regarding issues regarding police details arising from the private labor dispute between the employer and employees at Clear Channel Communications; and

The drafting of contracts, licenses and leases, including, with the assistance of Fire Chief Joe Rolli, the completion of the new ambulance agreement with Action Ambulance.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, and other Town officials, department heads and employees for their continued assistance. It is my honor to serve as Town Counsel.

William H. Solomon
Town Counsel

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

The primary function of this office is the management of the Town's funds. We are responsible for depositing all revenue, as well as dispersing all payroll and vendor checks. Investment management and bond indebtedness are also functions of the Treasurer. The objective being that all funds are safe, liquid, and invested daily at the highest possible yield. The total interest earned for the fiscal year was $305,136.63, plus additional interest of $201,512.08 for the Trust Funds.

We have made it easier for residents to make payments. The Tax Collector's Office is now able to directly receive on-line payments for Real Estate and Excise taxes through our website. Residents have the choice of using Master Card or Discover or using their on-line checking. As soon as Utility Billing is converted into the new computer system we will be able to accept those payments as well. There will be a major conversion encompassing Utility Billing in the end of FY 2008 and in the beginning of FY 2009.

Thomas M. Cicatelli who has been the Treasurer/Tax Collector since 1991 has taken another position within the Town as the Chief Information's Officer. During his tenure, Tom was chiefly responsible for pulling us out of the dark ages and integrating computer systems into this department. Tom will be seriously missed from our department but his expertise will still be available to us. We all wish him well and much success in his new position.

And last but definitely not least, I would like to thank our staff, Peggy Columbus, Barbara Hanafin, and Kathleen Sullivan. It is through their continuing hard effort and support that this department runs smoothly.

Respectfully,

Diane M. Murphy, Interim Treasurer/Tax Collector